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Roth Capital Partners Receives Approval From China Securities Regulatory Commission To Open Representative Office In Shanghai

Newport Beach, CA, May 23, 2007-- Roth Capital Partners, LLC (ROTH) announced today that it has received approval to establish a representative office in Shanghai from the China Securities Regulatory Commission (CSRC). The new office is part of the firm's growing commitment to China, by supporting research coverage and investment banking services to Chinese companies listed in the U.S. and other major exchanges.

Gordon McBean, CFA and Director of Research at ROTH, is the company's appointed Chief Representative for the Shanghai office.

"Our new office in Shanghai allows us to provide an even greater level of service to our institutional client base, whose interest in China is growing at a rapid pace," said Byron Roth, Chairman and CEO of ROTH. "We want to be their source for research on small and micro-cap Chinese companies."

As part of its China initiative, ROTH conducted a second annual "China Discovery Tour" May 14-20, 2007, during which institutional investors visited with and heard management presentations from 40 companies in five cities, including Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Hong Kong and Macau.

"Our clients demand a level of due diligence that can only be provided by a firm with a physical presence in mainland China. The Shanghai office allows us to do that," continued Roth. "We are grateful to the CSRC for approving our application and look forward to continuing to provide research coverage and growth capital to Chinese companies listed in the U.S. and other national exchanges."

In the past two years, ROTH has raised capital for seven Chinese companies and expects that number to grow significantly.

"This is a very important step for our China efforts" said Donald Straszheim, Vice Chairman at ROTH. "The Shanghai office will allow us to more effectively research the small- and micro-cap companies in China."

ROTH currently writes research on 13 China-based companies and intends to ramp that number up significantly over the coming months.

"We look forward to building a team in China that will allow us to provide the quality of research that our clients have come to expect," noted McBean. "We have been very fortunate to find a team of China analysts in the U.S. who are bilingual, bicultural Chartered Financial Analysts who are excited about the prospect of being back in China and being part of what is happening there today. We plan to complement the existing team with local talent."

About Roth Capital Partners, LLC:

With headquarters in Newport Beach, California and offices in strategic locations in the Western United States, and Shanghai, PRC, Roth Capital Partners, LLC is a full service investment bank serving corporate and institutional clients throughout the world. ROTH offers a wide array of investment banking services including: initial public offerings, follow-ons, PIPEs, private placements, mergers and acquisitions, investment research and institutional sales and trading. The firm is perhaps best known for finding, funding and fostering the growth of emerging companies. Over the last ten years, ROTH raised over \$8.7 billion for small and micro cap public companies and completed over 123 merger, acquisition and advisory assignments. It is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD), and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC). Visit the Roth Capital Partners website at www.rothcp.com.