

*Prairie Capital and Chicago Growth Partners Prairie Capital have Partnered with Ron Huberman to Seek Investment Opportunities in the Education, Security and Transportation Industries*

Chicago, IL – January 31, 2010 - Prairie Capital and Chicago Growth Partners are excited to announce their collective partnership with Mr. Ron Huberman. This partnership combines a long history of investing in these industries together with Mr. Huberman's experience, knowledge and contacts in these sectors.

Steve King, a Prairie Capital Founding Partner, commented, "We are very excited to be working with Ron. He brings a wealth of experience in these sectors and is a proven top-notch senior executive who has excelled at all his endeavors. CGP Managing Partner David Chandler commented, "Not only do we think Ron can help us find financially rewarding investment opportunities, but we think Ron can also help us seek out companies that help our public sector organizations become more efficient. We think these types of efficiency-focused businesses are sure to outperform their peers given the budgeting environment at the federal, state and local levels."

Mr. Huberman recently transitioned from a stellar career of public service where he led numerous organizations including the Chicago Public School System, the Chicago Transit Authority and the Office Emergency Management and Communication. Mr. Huberman was also the Chief of Staff for the Mayor's Office.

Commenting on this new opportunity, Mr. Huberman stated, "Chicago Growth Partners and Prairie Capital were a great fit for my goals and objectives and both firms have tremendous performance oriented cultures. I felt comfortable from the first meeting with their partners and I think there is a great opportunity to build some great companies here with outstanding investment returns. Their sector focus fits very nicely with my operating experiences. I have truly enjoyed my years of public service and now I look forward to this new and very exciting opportunity in private equity."

Mr. Huberman will work closely with the senior partners of both firms to identify high-growth companies in selected industries. CGP Managing Partner Rob Healy commented, "It is rare to find a senior executive with the combination of Ron's contacts, his breadth of experiences in our industry sectors and his tremendous energy. He has already hit the ground running and we look forward to a long and prosperous partnership with Ron."

About Prairie Capital: Focusing on the lower end of the middle market, Prairie Capital is a Chicago-based private equity firm that acquires high growth companies in various sectors including education, financial services, business services and niche manufacturing. Founded in 1997, and with more than \$800 million under management, Prairie has invested in more than 70 companies. Prairie is currently investing out of its recently raised \$300 million Prairie Capital V. For more information on Prairie Capital, please visit [www.prairie-capital.com](http://www.prairie-capital.com).