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Patrick J. Howard joins Exvere as Director:

Exvere is pleased to announce the appointment of Patrick Howard as Director. Mr. Howard brings significant experience to his new position, having been involved in well over a billion dollars of debt and equity financings in his career. Among Mr. Howard's previous employers are: Standard & Poor's Ratings Group; Seattle-Northwest Securities Corporation; and Source Capital Group. Mr. Howard also serves as a Director for several early stage companies involved in varied green initiatives. A graduate of the University of San Francisco, where he was Student Body President, Mr. Howard holds Series 7, 52, 53 and 63 Securities Licenses, and a Washington Real Estate Sales License.

Mr. Howard's responsibilities with Exvere will include targeted sector development and client relationship management.

Michael F. Brustkern, Managing Director, commented, "One benefit of the current economic climate is the opportunity to attract an extraordinary talented person such as Patrick. He is a key addition to our team."

About Exvere, Inc.

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