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PRITZKER GROUP PRIVATE CAPITAL ACQUIRES MILESTONE AV TECHNOLOGIES

Company is Home to Leading Audio-Visual Brands Chief, Sanus and Da-Lite

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN--(December 12, 2013)-- [Pritzker Group Private Capital](#) today announced that it acquired a leading global designer, marketer and distributor of branded audio-visual products for consumer and commercial use.

Milestone was purchased for an undisclosed price from [The Duchossois Group](#), which will retain a significant interest in the business and continue to have representatives serve on the board of directors.

Milestone designs, markets and distributes mounting equipment and display solutions for the audio-visual market. Its consumer and commercial products are sold principally under the Chief, Da-Lite and Sanus brands. Milestone serves more than 5,000 global customers, including professional AV dealers, regional home theater dealers, consumer electronics retailers, mass merchants and original equipment manufacturers. The Company maintains global operations with offices in the U.S., Europe and China.

“Our acquisition of Milestone demonstrates Pritzker Group Private Capital’s strategy of investing in clear market leaders with excellent management teams. We are well aligned with the Duchossois family in the view that our permanent, proprietary capital base allows our management teams to build great businesses over the long term” said Tony Pritzker, Pritzker Group Private Capital managing partner. “Together with the Milestone management team, we have a clear path forward that continues the company’s long history of new product innovation, international growth and add-on acquisitions.”

“Our two families have enjoyed both a personal and business relationship for over 40 years,” said Craig Duchossois, CEO of The Duchossois Group. “We look forward to our next generation of partnership. This transaction is representative of the types of opportunities that will be pursued by Duchossois Capital Management, the company we recently formed to manage our family’s strategic investments.”

“Our partnership with Pritzker Group Private Capital and Duchossois will launch Milestone into its next phase of growth, providing resources to help us meet the evolving needs of our customers,” said Scott Gill, Milestone chief executive officer. “The resources and experience of both organizations will drive our continued investment behind the innovative products, exceptional service and operational excellence that make a difference for our customers.”

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About Milestone AV Technologies

Milestone AV Technologies is a leading provider of branded audio-visual mounting equipment, projection screens and related display solutions for both the consumer and the commercial markets. Milestone's innovative products, sold principally under the Chief, Da-Lite, Projecta and SANUS brands, are sold through numerous channels, including Pro AV dealers, home theater dealers, consumer electronics retailers, mass merchants and original equipment manufacturers. The Company currently serves a broad base of over 5,000 global customers with headquarters in Eden Prairie, Minnesota. For more information, please visit milestone.com.

About Pritzker Group

Pritzker Group, led by Tony and J.B. Pritzker, has three principal investment teams: Private Capital, which acquires and operates leading North America-based companies; Venture Capital, which is the largest technology venture investor based in the Midwest; and Asset Management, which partners with top-performing investment managers across global public markets.

Pritzker Group Private Capital acquires North America-based middle-market companies with leading positions in the manufactured products, services and healthcare sectors. The firm's permanent, proprietary capital base allows for efficient decision making, broad flexibility with transaction structure and investment horizon, and alignment with management teams focused on creating long-term value. Pritzker Group brings significant resources, expertise and credibility in building businesses and is an ideal partner for entrepreneur- and family-owned companies. For more information, visit pritzkergroup.com.

About The Duchossois Group and Duchossois Capital Management

The Duchossois Group, Inc. is privately-held and is comprised of companies with leading brands in the residential security, lighting and convenience products markets and the commercial control, automation and digital media markets. The Group's companies have over 6,000 employees worldwide with operations located in over 30 countries.

Duchossois Capital Management is a private investment firm that invests across a broad array of opportunities and complements the family's operating businesses within The Duchossois Group.
