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AIC Ventures Acquires Custom Plastics Real Estate in Three States

- Leading private equity firm leverages sale-leaseback for acquisition strategy -

AUSTIN, TX October 20, 2008 – AIC Ventures, an investment fund manager providing alternative finance solutions to middle-market companies across the United States through office and industrial sale-leasebacks, acquired three industrial buildings from Henderson, Kentucky -based Custom Plastic Solutions LLC, a Monomoy Capital Partners, L.P. portfolio company.

Acquiring real estate assets totaling over 317,000 square feet, AIC Ventures simultaneously entered into a long-term lease with Custom Plastic Solutions. The facilities are located in Ft. Smith, Arkansas; Henderson, Kentucky; and Jackson, Tennessee. The sale-leaseback transaction was executed in conjunction with Custom Plastics Solutions' acquisition of key Atlantis Plastics, Inc. assets.

"This is the latest in a number of deals executed in collaboration with AIC Ventures," said Mayank Singh, vice president of Monomoy Capital Partners. "We saw the sale-leaseback as a creative financing solution for the transaction; owning real estate is not our core competency. The resulting capital enables us to focus on the key fundamentals of the company."

On October 8, Custom Plastics Solutions acquired the molded products and profile extrusion assets from Atlantis Plastics, Inc. for \$23.1 million in cash and the assumption of \$7 million in liabilities.

The company is a \$110 million manufacturer of custom injection molded and extruded plastic components for the appliance, recreational vehicle, building products and automotive industries.

"Custom Plastics' facilities are a strong fit for our portfolio," said David Steinwedell, managing partner, AIC Ventures. "We have added to our portfolio's diversity through these three locations and the addition of the plastics industry to the mix. Most importantly, we continued our strong relationship with Monomoy by meeting their capital and timing needs. "

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About AIC Ventures

AIC Ventures is a leading provider of capital to middle-market companies. With over \$800 million in completed transactions, AIC Ventures structures innovative corporate finance solutions for companies facing limited, short-term or expensive alternatives for capital. The company has closed more than 95 transactions in 27 states. Whether sellers need to close quickly, have private equity interests, environmental or other challenges, AIC Ventures can help. For more information, visit www.AICVentures.com.

About Monomoy Capital Partners, L.P.

Monomoy Capital Partners, L.P. is a \$280 million private equity fund that makes controlling investments in middle market companies. The Fund has completed 18 transactions in just over two years in the smaller end of the middle market and currently owns 12 business that collectively employ more than 8,000 people. Monomoy implements customized business improvement programs in all portfolio companies that reduce operating expenses, increase profitability and encourage meaningful growth. For additional information on Monomoy and its portfolio companies, please visit www.mcpfunds.com.

About Custom Plastics LLC

Custom Plastics, Inc. has a history of quality plastics manufacturing dating back to 1953. Custom Plastics has developed expertise in all phases of plastic processing while pioneering the growth of plastics in the American market. The company specializes in custom injection molding and custom profile extrusion of thermoplastics for such industries as Automotive, Appliances, Electronics, Lighting, Office, Home equipment. For more information, visit www.customplasticsinc.com.

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