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Mid Oaks Portfolio Company Acquires CM Packaging Group

Buffalo Grove, IL November 10, 2011 – Privately held Mid Oaks Investments LLC continues its 25 year history of investing in the food packaging industry with its signing of an agreement to acquire CM Packaging Group, based in Lake Zurich, IL. The investment will be made through D&W Fine Pack LLC, a Mid Oaks portfolio company.

CM Packaging Group is a manufacturer of rigid plastic containers and aluminum containers serving the restaurant, grocery, bakery, produce and food processor markets. The acquisition will continue the D&W strategy to be a national supplier of disposable foodservice containers and other products serving the at-home and away-from-home markets. The CM Packaging business will complement the D&W product offering, with both stock and custom products, and add five manufacturing locations. Following the acquisition, revenues will approach \$400 million, the company will employ 1,600 and operate from 11 locations in the U.S. and Canada.

“The acquisition of CM Packaging Group will continue the Mid Oaks goal of building a premier food packaging company offering multiple products with multiple materials through a national manufacturing and distribution footprint” said Wayne Kocourek, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Mid Oaks.

The transaction, which is expected to close in late November, is subject to regulatory approval and an affirmative vote by the members of the CM Packaging Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP).

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About CM Packaging

CM Packaging is one of the premier manufacturers of aluminum packaging and rigid plastic containers serving the restaurant, grocery, bakery, produce and food processor markets with both custom and stock products. Among the company's most popular brands are Bake King®, Bio7PLA, Cater King®, ClearLock™ and PDI. In 1898 the company was established in Chicago and is headquartered in suburban Lake Zurich, IL today. In addition to its Lake Zurich facility, it has manufacturing locations in Central Islip, N.Y., Gladwin, Mich., Miami, Fla. and Cadiz, Ky. and a distribution facility in City of Industry, CA. with aggregate square feet of 460,000 employing 300. For more information visit www.cmpackaging.com.

About D&W Fine Pack

D&W Fine Pack, a Mid Oaks Investments portfolio company, is among the largest foodservice packaging companies in North America. Offering a broad line of foodservice and food packaging, including tableware, containers, cutlery, straws, and meal kits, the company continues its commitment to expansion and customer responsiveness through the development of unique and innovative packaging and material solutions across all major substrates used in the industry. As a committed leader in sustainability, D&W prides itself on helping the industry evolve to meet changing market demands while promoting packaging using sustainable materials and methods. For more information on D&W Fine Pack and its products, visit www.dwfinepack.com.

About Mid Oaks Investments LLC

Founded in 1986, located in Buffalo Grove, IL, Mid Oaks is a private investment firm that invests its own capital in businesses with an aim of building value over the long term. Its principals have substantial operating, financial and general management experience with a long history of success in the support of its portfolio companies. For more information visit www.midoaks.com.

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