



**September 4, 2008 – Cleary Gull Inc. advises Hetsco, Inc., a portfolio company of Monument Advisors, in its sale to Platte River Ventures**

Cleary Gull Inc. is pleased to announce the sale of Hetsco, Inc. a portfolio company of Monument Advisors, to Platte River Ventures. Headquartered in Greenwood, Indiana, Hetsco is the leading independent provider of repair and maintenance services for brazed aluminum plate-fin heat exchangers used in industrial gas, liquefied natural gas and chemical facilities, and is a specialty provider of construction and fabrication services for the industrial gas industry. Based in Denver, Colorado, Platte River Ventures is a private equity firm that invests in small and middle market operating companies. Cleary Gull acted as exclusive financial advisor to Hetsco, Inc.

As a critical vender to the industrial gas industry for over 25 years, the Hetsco's highly skilled welders travel worldwide on a time and materials basis to perform both emergency and planned repairs. In addition to exchanger repair services, Hetsco offers specialty construction and fabrication services for the industrial gas industry.

Platte River Ventures' strategy is to invest behind strong management teams in industries where the firm's principals have operating and investing experience. The firm seeks investment opportunities where Platte River Ventures' principals can add meaningful value to its management partners in creating larger enterprises through internal growth and complementary acquisitions.

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