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FIRM OVERVIEW: Eimer Stahl LLP engages in complex litigation throughout the United States. The firm is dedicated to providing top quality legal services and exceptional client service. With a commitment to advanced technology and diversity, the firm partners with clients to obtain creative solutions to complex legal problems. The firm is proud to serve as trial counsel to many leading companies and organizations.

MAIN AREAS OF PRACTICE: The firm concentrates on complex litigation across a variety of subject areas, including antitrust, environmental, securities, utility regulation, energy unfair competition, product liability, toxic torts, construction, and general commercial disputes. The firm has particular expertise relating to the defense of class action lawsuits, particularly in the securities, mass tort, and antitrust fields. Matters on which the firm has recently worked include government investigations and private suits relating to energy prices, defense of several securities class actions and related SEC investigations, defense of mass tort claims alleging injuries arising from the use of fuel additives, multimillion dollar breach of contract claims in the paper and cement industries, and defense of price-fixing claims in the steel, chemical, dairy, pharmaceutical, and paper industries. The firm also engages in antitrust counseling, including obtaining government antitrust clearance of proposed mergers and acquisitions. Members of the firm have provided advice regarding such matters across a wide variety of industries, including consumer goods, paper, chemicals, commercial printing, cosmetics, telecommunications, foodstuffs, and automotive parts.

****CLIENTS:** ******The firm serves clients across a wide array of industries, including CITGO Petroleum, Exelon, Kimberly-Clark, Dow Chemical, Land O' Lakes, HSBC, Gerdau Ameristeel, McDonald's, Corn Products International, Praxair, Holcim (US) Inc., and McGladrey & Pullen. Superior client service is a hallmark of the firm's operating philosophy and principles.

ANTITRUST: The antitrust group is known for its emphasis on litigation, and is also active in M&A and merger matters; peers say the team's compact size does not hold it back, and note that it is "creative in settling cases." The team often appears in class actions: Nathan Eimer is particularly active in this area, and specializes in criminal antitrust matters. Generally regarded as "Nate's right-hand man," Andrew Klevorn has recently been working with Eimer on class actions against the steel industry. David Stahl focuses on regulatory antitrust work and merger counseling.

THE LAWYERS:

****EIMER, Nathan P.:** ****** Antitrust trial lawyer and counselor. He has handled a large number of grand jury investigations of alleged price fixing, including related criminal proceedings and trial. He has also been involved as trial counsel in numerous civil antitrust cases, particularly class actions related to alleged price fixing. His practice also includes counseling clients regarding the antitrust aspects of mergers and acquisitions, and representation of clients before the Federal Trade Commission, the United States Department of Justice, and in related civil proceedings attempting to enjoin a merger. He has represented a large number of major corporations in antitrust matters, including The Dow Chemical Company, Union Carbide Corporation, CITGO Petroleum Corporation, Kimberly-Clark Corporation, Borden,

Inc., CPC, Inc., International Minerals & Chemicals Corporation, Praxair, Inc., Land O' Lakes, Inc., and Corn Products International.

****STAHL, David M.:** ****** Antitrust, commercial and energy litigation with broad trial experience in state and federal courts and regulatory agencies, and in arbitrations. His practice encompasses Sherman Act (§ 1 and § 2) and Robinson-Patman Act litigation and counseling, acquisitions, securities litigation, breach of contract, products liability and toxic tort, professional malpractice defense, and a wide variety of electric power litigation. He has represented a number of leading firms including, among others, CITGO Petroleum Corporation, Kimberly-Clark Corporation, Praxair Inc., Abbott Laboratories, Holcim (US) Inc., Midwest Generation EME, LLC, the former Central and South West Corporation (now part of American Electric Power), Exelon Corporation, and Consumers Energy.