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ANTITRUST PROFILE: This dynamic, streamlined practice is highly esteemed for its trial expertise and merger counseling. The group is especially recommended for its experience handling antitrust matters in the petrochemical, oil and agricultural sectors. Its distinguished client list includes Praxair, CITGO Petroleum and Dow Chemical. It currently represents Land O' Lakes in a large multidistrict litigation involving alleged price fixing in the eggs industry. Sources say: "An impressive team with a talented group of confident and experienced antitrust practitioners at the helm, who really know how to get the job done."

KEY INDIVIDUALS: Nathan Eimer is hailed as a "first-rate, no-nonsense litigator." He is currently representing Gerdau Steel in connection with an alleged major price-fixing conspiracy in the steel industry.

ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES PROFILE: This firm's energy practice is building a strong reputation in Chicago. The firm is modest in size but celebrated for its concentrated litigation expertise and the energy practice fits this template, excelling in disputes work. The group acts as counsel for Commonwealth Edison, a major electricity supplier which serves two-thirds of the state.

KEY INDIVIDUALS: David Stahl specializes in rate-setting work and energy litigation, but he is also known as a versatile all-rounder. Clients are quick to praise his communication skills: "He shines in court and has the ability to take arcane and complex rate-making issues and make them clear and simple – even make them interesting!"

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 defense of mass tort claims alleging injuries arising from the use of a fuel additive, defense of price-fixing claims in the steel, cement and dairy sectors, government investigations and related private suits in the banking and financial sector, and rate cases for leading utilities. 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, building materials, 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, Holcim (US) Inc., Aggregate Industries, Dow Chemical, Nicor, Land O' Lakes, HSBC, Gerdau Ameristeel, McDonald's, Corn Products International, and Praxair. Superior client service is a hallmark of the firm's operating philosophy and principles.