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Judge Appoints Kroll Partners as Joint Provisional Liquidators for Offshore Bayou Funds

GEORGE TOWN, Grand Cayman--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sept. 2, 2005--The Honorable Judge Levers of the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands today appointed James Cleaver and Gordon MacRae of Kroll (Cayman) Limited as joint provisional liquidators of four offshore Bayou Management funds. The appointment, which is effective immediately, will enable the joint provisional liquidators to protect the assets held in the Bayou Offshore Master Fund, Bayou Offshore Fund A, Bayou Offshore Fund B, and Bayou Offshore Fund C, as they conduct an independent investigation into the issues surrounding these funds. "As the holder of the management shares for these funds, and on a parallel track with the efforts currently underway in the U.S., Walkers SPV wants to ensure that the investors have the opportunity to recover as many assets as possible," David Egglshaw, director of Walkers SPV (a Cayman Islands trust company) said. "And by moving quickly to facilitate the appointment of a provisional liquidator, we hope to have done just that. As we followed the issues surrounding the Bayou funds in the U.S., we immediately consulted investors to put in place a program to protect the interests of the Cayman funds' investors and with a view to freezing the assets so that they could be recovered by investors at a later date."

Gordon MacRae of Kroll said: "With the court's appointment, we are now in a position to investigate this matter - and we will do so as proficiently as possible. We are conscious that investors are concerned to determine the status of their investments and we have set up a website to get information to them as quickly as possible. Investors can visit www.bayoucaymanliquidation.ky or contact us through a dedicated email address for enquiries at bayouenquiries@krollcayman.ky."

Over the last week, Walkers SPV, a wholly-owned affiliate of Walkers, the global offshore law firm, initiated a process to reach out to the funds' investors to begin a dialogue on how best to preserve the assets for investors.

"With the uncertainty surrounding these funds, Walkers SPV's proactive efforts to contact us and present a program that will aid us in eventually recovering some of our assets was immensely helpful and reassuring," one of the funds major investors said. "Their candor and speed made it clear that Walkers SPV really was looking out for our best interests."

About Kroll

Kroll (Cayman) Limited is an affiliate of Kroll Inc., the world's leading risk consulting company, provides a broad range of investigative, intelligence, financial, security and technology services to help clients reduce risks, solve problems and capitalize on opportunities. Headquartered in New York with more than 60 offices on six continents, Kroll serves a global clientele of law firms, financial institutions, corporations, non-profit institutions, government agencies, and individuals. Kroll's Corporate Advisory & Restructuring Group, which operates as Kroll Ltd. in Europe and Kroll Zolfo Cooper in North America, provides domestic and cross-border professional services to maximize the value of financially-troubled companies.

About Walkers SPV and Walkers

Walkers SPV Limited (WSPV) is a Cayman Islands licensed trust company and a wholly-owned affiliate of Walkers with offices in the Cayman Islands and Tokyo. The firm is regulated in the Cayman Islands under the Banks and Trust Companies Law.

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