

## Formation of Investment Banking and Research Division

JERSEY CITY, N.J., Feb. 25 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Hudson Holding Corporation (OTC Bulletin Board: HDHL - News), parent of Hudson Securities Inc., a registered broker-dealer that meets the liquidity needs of brokers, dealers, institutions, and asset managers, today announced the formation of a new investment banking and research unit that will offer a full range of corporate finance and capital market services as the Westminster Securities division of Hudson Securities Inc.

The 22 member team will be headed by NYSE member John P. O'Shea, and joins Hudson from Westminster Securities Corporation, a 35 year-old firm. The Westminster Securities division will provide a wide range of corporate finance services domestically and internationally such as investment banking, private placements of debt & equity, private placements in public equity (PIPEs), initial public offerings (IPOs), reverse mergers, special purpose acquisition companies (SPACs), underwriting & syndication, merger & acquisition, financial restructuring, advisory services and chaperoning for non U.S. Broker Dealers. The team specializes in pharmaceuticals, energy, alternative energy and natural resources.

The Westminster team has developed significant expertise in assisting Chinese companies tapping into the US capital markets. Over the last four years, the group has acted as placement agent and/or underwriter in 15 Chinese transactions raising over USD\$190 million for companies operating in China.

"We are extremely excited to be joining Hudson Securities, Inc. as the Investment Banking and Research Division," stated John P. O'Shea, head of the new unit. "By joining with Hudson, our clients will benefit from both the liquidity and broader service offering that a larger, state of the art organization can provide."

"Building a more diverse, broad based organization positions us to better serve the growing needs and demands of our clients," stated Hudson Holding Corporation, CEO Marty Cunningham. "We are thrilled to have John and his seasoned team leading this initiative at Hudson."

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