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First National Investment Banking Names M&A Managing Director

(OMAHA, Neb. Feb. 12., 2009) First National Investment Banking (FNIB), a full-service investment bank and wholly-owned subsidiary of First National of Nebraska, Inc., has named Tim Leland as managing director of its Mergers and Acquisitions division, announced Clark Lauritzen, head of Wealth Management & Investment Banking.

“We are pleased to have Tim join our team,” said Lauritzen. “With his experience and leadership, I am confident he will help us achieve our strategic goals.”

Leland previously worked for Boston-based Stonebridge Associates, LLC where he served as principal and focused on new business development and deal execution. He has 20 years of experience in mergers and acquisitions, as well as strategic and advisory knowledge. In addition, he has practiced transaction execution in various industries, which include consumer goods, food and beverage, business services, manufacturing technology and healthcare.

Leland earned an MBA from J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL., and his bachelor of art’s degree from Bowdoin College in Brunswick, ME.

ABOUT FIRST NATIONAL INVESTMENT BANKING

First National Investment Banking is one of the fastest growing investment banking firms in the Midwest. FNIB serves corporations, institutions and high-net-worth individuals by providing a comprehensive array of sophisticated financial resources and staff that can provide leadership in a complex investment environment. FNIB, a wholly-owned subsidiary of First National of Nebraska, Inc., is headquartered in Omaha, Neb., and has regional offices in Kansas City, Mo., Des Moines, Iowa and Sacramento, Calif. For more information, visit www.fnib.com.

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ABOUT FIRST NATIONAL OF NEBRASKA

First National of Nebraska has grown into the largest privately owned banking company in the United States. First National and its affiliates have \$21 billion in managed assets and nearly 7,000 employee associates located in 35 states. Primary banking offices are located in Nebraska, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota and Texas.

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