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## **Four Wood Capital Partners Announces the Formation and Launch of Capital Markets Strategic Joint Venture with Tigress Financial Partners**

NEW YORK – Four Wood Capital Partners LLC (“FWCP”), a premier investment management and merchant banking firm, announced today that **Four Wood Capital Markets LLC**, (“FWCM”), a wholly owned subsidiary of FWCP, has successfully launched a new Capital Markets Joint Venture (the “Joint Venture” or the “JV”) initiative with leading WBE investment bank and brokerage firm, **Tigress Financial Partners LLC (“TFP”)**. The Capital Markets Joint Venture has forged a unique partnership between the two firms which now offers a leading turnkey capital markets platform across strategic advisory and investment banking services, securities underwriting and capital markets execution, best-in-class investment research, trade execution services and risk management solutions. The Joint Venture’s primary mission will be serving middle market institutions and their capital markets needs with and through the expertise and services of a major Wall Street investment bank, delivered in a highly bespoke manner and proactive approach to client needs.

Certain execution services of the FWCM-TFP Joint Venture will be performed through Tigress Financial Partners LLC, a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), a member of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) and a member of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC). Tigress Financial Partners LLC is also a Woman Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) and is nationally certified by WBENC, the Women’s Business Enterprise National Council.

“The opportunity for Tigress Financial and Four Wood Capital to collaborate on this Joint Venture and to redefine true ‘value-added’ within the diversity broker-dealer space across a robust product platform and with a client-centric focus is both very exciting and very important to all of us. We believe the JV combines the best intellectual capital, market intelligence, execution tool kit and valuable experience from both organizations in a way which enables our clients to make better investment and capital markets decisions and proactively act upon market opportunities; which ultimately empowers our clients’ success. Accordingly, we are focused on world-class execution of the business and greatly appreciate the opportunity to serve our clients’ needs.” said Steven A. Baffico, Managing Partner & CEO of Four Wood Capital Partners LLC.

The Four Wood-Tigress Capital Markets JV offers combined capabilities across strategic advice, investment banking services, securities underwriting, capital markets execution, leading equity research, trade execution and risk management solutions. Prospective benefits to clients include: a highly experienced team of investment and banking professionals, access to proprietary research, customized client solutions and personalized services, global distribution capabilities, advice and guidance on acquisitions, dispositions, recapitalizations, restructurings and related activities. Additional benefits may include assistance on capital formation in helping raise equity, debt, bank lines, municipal debt etc., high-touch equities execution (agency-only) advanced technology, direct market access (DMA), award-winning market research, and actionable and insightful analysis.



“Four Wood Capital Partners and Tigress Financial are fortunate to share market leadership and successful heritage as both organizations are recognized and respected leaders in the financial services community. We also share important core values like insight, integrity, commitment, independence, passion, focus, competitive drive and entrepreneurialism to name several. This philosophical compatibility is mission critical if we are to deliver a leading value proposition to our clients,” said Cynthia D. DiBartolo, Esq., CEO of Tigress Financial Partners LLC.

The FWCM – Tigress Capital Markets Joint Venture is expected to initially focus on sectors including specialty finance and fintech, transportation and capital assets as well as energy and infrastructure. Staffing announcements across the JV and the aforementioned areas are forthcoming in the next several weeks.

#### **About Four Wood Capital Partners LLC**

Four Wood Capital Partners LLC (“FWCP”) is a premier investment management and merchant banking business. We are industry experts in yield-oriented investment solutions. With core competencies across origination and investment banking, investment advisory and distribution services, FWCP serves both institutions and individuals. Founded in 2012, FWCP, its subsidiaries and affiliates including Four Wood Capital Advisors LLC, Four Wood Marine Advisors Ltd., Four Wood Energy Partners LLC, Four Wood Capital Markets LLC and Global Marine Transport Capital LLC, have assets under management, supervision and/or servicing of approximately \$1.65 billion as of January 1, 2016. The firm is headquartered in New York with offices in North Dakota, London, Athens and Hamburg. For further information, please consult our website at [www.fourwoodcapital.com](http://www.fourwoodcapital.com).

#### **About Tigress Financial Partners LLC**

Tigress Financial Partners (“TFP”) is a specialized financial services firm providing expertise and services in investment banking, investment research, asset management, wealth management, corporate advisory and trade execution services. TFP provides its services to corporate entities, institutional investors, high-net worth individual investors, public and private pensions, federal, state and municipal governments.

Tigress Financial Partners LLC is a registered broker dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), a member of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) and a member of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC). Tigress Financial Partners LLC is a Woman Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) and is nationally certified by WBENC, the Women’s Business Enterprise National Council.

Tigress Financial Partners LLC is a solely owned subsidiary of Tigress Holdings LLC. [For further information please go to www.tigressfinancialpartners.com](http://www.tigressfinancialpartners.com).

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