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2009 Early Stage Venture Fair Scheduled for December 9 in New Haven

Fairfield, CT (November 24, 2009): The Connecticut Venture Group's 2009 Early Stage Venture Fair will be held on December 9, 2009 at the New Haven Lawn Club in New Haven. Thirty investor-ready companies will be invited to make a presentation to an audience of early stage angel investors and venture capitalists. The 2009 CVG Early Stage Venture Fair is designed for start-up and early stage entrepreneurs looking for investment partners to help launch and expand their business. The format provides each participating firm with an opportunity to make a presentation to an audience of experienced early stage investors. Exhibit space is available for entrepreneurs to meet and greet investors and to provide demonstrations of products and applications. A *Getting Connected* networking reception follows the formal program.

Paul Hughes, Chair of Wiggin and Dana's Business Practice Department and President of CVG's New Haven Chapter, says the Early Stage Venture Fair fills an important need in the regional economy. "One of the consequences of the economic recession is that investment capital for start-up businesses is harder and harder to come by" says Hughes. "The Early Stage Fair provides investors with an efficient way of meeting qualified start-ups looking for funding to grow and expand their business." Hughes added that the first round of outside investment is often a critical milestone for high-growth potential businesses as it demonstrates a degree of market confidence in the entrepreneur's vision and business plan.

In addition to exhibiting and demonstrating their products, the participating firms will make a four minute presentation intended to give the investors a concise overview of their products and business model. Investors interested in the firms can follow-up with more detailed meetings in the Venture Fair's exhibit area and during the Reception.

The 2009 Early Stage Venture Fair begins at 1:30 pm at the New Haven Lawn Club. A networking reception and on-site exhibits by participating firms follows the formal program. Information for firms to apply to participate and registration information for attendees is available at www.cvg.org or by calling 203-256-5955.

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Details: 2009 CVG Early Stage Venture Fair
Wednesday, December 9, 1:30 - 7:00 pm
New Haven Lawn Club, New Haven, CT
Attendance Fee: CVG members, No Charge; Others, \$55.
Companies interested in exhibiting should call 203-256-5955
Register Online at www.cvg.org or by calling 203-256-5955

About The Connecticut Venture Group

The Connecticut Venture Group (CVG) is an association of volunteer professionals dedicated to supporting investment in high-growth enterprises. Members include venture capitalists, private investors, commercial and investment banks, entrepreneurs, educators and business service providers who specialize in business financing, technology and intellectual property.

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