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**LAUD COLLIER & COMPANY SPONSORS ACQUISITION OF  
DAN-LOC BOLT AND GASKET (Financial)**

**MANAGEMENT TEAM JOINS LAUD COLLIER & COMPANY TO ACQUIRE  
DAN-LOC BOLT AND GASKET (Trade)**

**HOUSTON, TX - March 1, 2007**

Dan-Loc, LLC has acquired Dan-Loc Bolt and Gasket from DL Industries, LP, in a transaction sponsored by Laud Collier & Company, LLC, a New Jersey-based private equity firm along with company management. Investors in Dan-Loc include Argosy Investment Partners III, L.P., Boston Projects, Inc., InvestAmerica, and several private investors. Freestone Partners, First Capital and certain other existing owners of DL Industries retain ownership in the new company. PNC Business Credit provided bank financing.

Dan-Loc, with operations in Texas and California, is a leading manufacturer of high quality stud bolts and metal ring joint gaskets sold predominantly to the energy industry. Founded in 1961, the company is a full-service supplier of bolts and gaskets in standard, non-standard, and custom sizes in a variety of alloys, with plating and coating options produced to stringent industry standards including ANSI, ASTM, ASME, NACE, and API requirements. The company's manufacturing expertise and customer service programs allow it to provide quick turnaround and rapid fulfillment of customer needs. Further, Dan-Loc's engineering capabilities assures customers that all products will meet critical performance requirements.

"The management team is excited to have teamed up with Laud Collier for this acquisition. The transaction allowed the company to greatly deepen and diversify its investor base both with new institutional investors and management participation" noted Tom Connolly, President and Chief Executive Officer of Dan-Loc. "Dan-Loc has established itself as a quality and service leader in the industry and we believe that this philosophy will help us drive continued growth in the markets we serve as well as several new markets." He added that the new investor base is committed to support growth through both internal and external acquisition strategies.

The principals of Laud Collier & Company, LLC have invested in over 40 middle-market companies over the last 16 years. "Dan-Loc has done an exceptional job in building a brand recognized for quality and service. This has enabled them to distinguish themselves in a competitive market" notes Colby Collier, a principal of the firm. He notes that many of the Company's products find themselves in applications where product performance is critical for safety and long-term field performance. Industry focus on



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capacity expansion, maintenance, and replacement are also important success factors. “The long-term outlook for the core markets of the company is positive and Tom and his team have demonstrated the ability to adeptly manage historical industry fluctuations.”

About Laud Collier & Company:

Laud Collier & Company ([www.lccap.com](http://www.lccap.com)) is a private equity firm focused on acquiring controlling interests in U.S.-based middle-market manufacturing, distribution, and service businesses. Laud Collier believes that value in these businesses can be enhanced through acquisitions, new product introductions, and operational improvements. The principals of Laud Collier take great pride in working closely with the management teams of its portfolio companies and creating boards of directors with the requisite business and industry experience to assist in this process.

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