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Baker & Daniels and Faegre & Benson Begin Discussions of Potential Strategic Combination

INDIANAPOLIS/MINNEAPOLIS — Baker & Daniels and Faegre & Benson have commenced discussions toward a possible combination. We are mutually interested in exploring this combination, which would bring together two successful firms with rich histories and deep ties to their communities. We explore the combination based on its potential for enhancing the value that can be provided to our clients. We are impressed by each other's commitment to quality, financial stability, caliber of professionals and our remarkably similar culture and values. We are in the early stages of our discussions and will continue careful exploration over the next couple of months. We do not expect that a vote of our respective partnerships would take place until the fall.

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