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The Livingston Group Announces New Combination Practice: Corporate Social Responsibility and Congressional Oversight

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Washington, DC – The Livingston Group (TLG), the bipartisan government and public affairs firm, announced the launch of a new practice area: Corporate Social Responsibility and Congressional Oversight. Former six-term Democratic Congressman Dennis Hertel will head the practice. During his service in Congress, Mr. Hertel was Chairman of the Investigations and Oversight Subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee. He also served on the former Merchant Marine Committee for six years as Chairman of the Oceanography, Great Lakes and Outer Continental Shelf Subcommittee and also as Ranking Member on the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee.

In announcing this new practice, Bob Livingston, name partner and former Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, underscored that TLG will offer clients the special niche of “counseling, philanthropy and special interest group outreach. We help clients understand and network in the increasingly crucial arena of social responsibility.” Livingston, a former federal prosecutor, added, “We will provide a first-class competency in preparing and shepherding clients through the process of oversight and investigation.”

According to Dennis Hertel, “TLG will have a well-honed team to work with clients on how to strengthen their profile among key policy makers and interest groups. We are aiming to be cutting edge counselors, as well as providing the tools to anticipate and successfully handle the scrutiny and pressures of the oversight and investigation process. We will provide 'hands-on', credible expertise for our clients regarding issues within O&I subcommittees and in the general political arena -- issues that include national security, energy, defense procurement, the environmental, global affairs and social causes.”

The practice area team, in addition to Livingston and Hertel, consists of experienced former Members of Congress, Hill staff and senior executives from the Clinton Administration: Toby Moffett (D-CT), who also served as a senior international advisor at Monsanto; Ron Klink (D-PA), former Ranking Member of the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee of Energy and Commerce; Bill Zeliff (R-NH), who served as Chairman of the Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs and Criminal Justice of the House Government Reform Committee; Jill Schuker, former Special Assistant to President Clinton and Senior Director for Public Affairs at the National Security Council, the Department of State and the U.S. Mission to the United Nations; and Duane Gibson, former Republican Chief Counsel for Oversight and Investigations, House Committee on Natural Resources. All have private and public sector experience in counseling on best practices issues. The team provides specialized knowledge of media training, hearing preparation, coalition building and reputation management.

A complete overview of TLG’s practices and personnel, including a representative client list, is available at www.livingstongroupdc.com <<http://www.livingstongroupdc.com/>> .

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