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LEHMAN, LEE AND XU EXPANDS GUANGZHOU OFFICE

GUANGZHOU– March 19, 2009 –Even as many companies and firms downsize in response to current economic turmoil, one of China’s biggest law firms continues to expand. Lehman, Lee and Xu has expanded its office in the south China city of Guangzhou on March 17.



The expansion of the Guangzhou office is the latest in a series of moves by the firm that illustrate its confidence in China’s crucial role in global trade, said Managing Director Edward Lehman, who added that “Lehman, Lee and Xu has an unrivalled capacity bridge international clients with markets and producers across the world’s most populous nation.”

“We have had a limited presence in Guangzhou in the past, but because of the volume of work we have there, we are now expanding,” said Managing Director Edward Lehman. “We are now hiring more professionals and support staff for the office.”

Guangzhou, known as Canton before 1949, is at the economic center of the Pearl River Delta. It is home to the twice-annual China Import and Export Fair, the largest trade fair in China

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“Our business in the region continues to grow as does our confidence in the region and China as a whole,” Lehman said. “These are challenging times, but over the long haul, we see the numbers just continuing to climb.”



Founded in 1992, Beijing-headquartered Lehman, Lee & Xu is one of the oldest and largest law practices in China. It serves as counsel to and advisor for wide range of multinational corporations, associations and governments. Its clients include Fortune 500 companies, non-governmental organizations, embassies and departments of nations, giant domestic enterprises and a scope of other businesses and individuals that mirror China’s remarkable growth over the past 30 years.

Lehman added that the firm’s office in Guangzhou is not the only one to expand in south China. Its operations in Hong Kong, Macao and Shanghai are also hiring additional attorneys “as fast as we can find the right people,” Lehman said.

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