



# News Release

## JMP SECURITIES ADDS SENIOR INVESTMENT BANKER TO SOFTWARE GROUP

*Jeff Becker Joins Investment Bank as a Managing Director*

**SAN FRANCISCO, February 6, 2006** – JMP Securities LLC, a research-driven, full-service investment bank serving growth companies and their investors, announced today the addition of Jeff Becker as a managing director and co-head of the firm’s software investment banking group.

“Jeff Becker is an important addition to JMP’s investment banking group. Working alongside Kevin McClelland, Jeff will add to JMP’s efforts in the software sector—an area where JMP made great strides in 2005,” said Co-Director of Investment Banking Jerry Tuttle. “Jeff has covered software companies for more than a decade, and we are glad to welcome him to our platform. With Jeff based out of our recently opened New York office, we are now even better positioned to serve our software clients.”

Prior to joining JMP Securities, Mr. Becker was a partner and head of software investment banking at ThinkEquity Partners. He previously served as co-head of the software investment banking groups at other growth-oriented firms, including Robertson Stephens, RBC Capital Markets and SG Cowen & Co.

### About JMP Securities

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