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EASTERN PROPERTY HOLDINGS ENTERS MOSCOW PARKING SECTOR

Eastern Property Partners II (EPP II), a limited partnership 90% owned by Eastern Property Holdings Ltd., has acquired 50% of Inkonika LLC, a parking garage developer in central Moscow. Inkonika LLC develops parking garage projects totaling more than 140,000 square meters, which will be over 5,000 parking spaces, in central Moscow. Upon the completion of the projects, it is the company's intention to retain and manage most or all of the properties.

Inkonika will open its first parking garage late this year, when its 300 parking space Turgenevskaya Square project, currently under construction, is completed. The second project, approx. 270 spaces at Khokhovskaya Square on Moscow's Boulevard Ring, is also under construction, with delivery scheduled for first half 2009.

As a result of this acquisition EPP II has become the largest shareholder of the project and will take the leading role in managing the build-out of Inkonika's project pipeline.

Construction costs for Inkonika's current project pipeline are expected to exceed USD 255 million. Until development financing or refinancing of completed properties has been arranged, EPP II or its affiliates will provide debt financing to fund construction of the projects.

The owner of the remaining 10% of Eastern Property Partners II is Valartis International, a subsidiary of Valartis Group AG.

Eastern Property Holdings Limited (EPH) is an SWX Swiss Exchange-listed real estate development and investment company focusing on Russia. The company holds interests in office, residential and retail real estate and property developments, principally in Moscow and St. Petersburg. EPH is managed by Eastern Property Management Limited, a real estate management company that is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Valartis Group AG. Additional information on Eastern Property Holdings is available on the company website (www.easternpropertyholdings.com) or by contacting Terry Olin, Tel: +41 22 716 1035 or Alexander Nikolaev, Tel: +7 495 730 3525. Email: contact@easternpropertyholdings.com

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