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BUCKINGHAM CAPITAL ANNOUNCES FIRST CLOSING FOR NEW FUND

Buckingham Capital, LLC announced today that it had its first closing on its new fund, Buckingham Capital Partners, L.P.

Buckingham Capital Partners, L.P., the Managing Partners' second private equity fund, has been established to make control equity investments in leveraged buyouts of lower middle market industrial and manufacturing companies based in the U.S. Buckingham is located at 950 Third Avenue, 19th floor, New York, NY 10022. The web page is www.buckinghamcapital.com, and the general phone number is 212-752-0500.