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## **Morgan Lewis Advises BG Group on \$930 Million Transaction**

HOUSTON, May 11, 2010: BG Group this week announced that it has entered into further joint venture arrangements with its U.S. shale partner, EXCO Resources, Inc. BG Group will acquire a 50% interest in companies that hold EXCO's producing and non-producing assets in the Appalachian Basin, located primarily in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Morgan Lewis advised BG Group on the transaction, under the terms of which BG Group will pay a total consideration of \$950 million, equating to an estimated unit resource cost of \$0.40 per thousand cubic feet (mcf).

The Morgan Lewis team included Business & Finance Energy Transactions partners David F. Asmus and Michael R. King; Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation partner Erin Turley; Tax Controversy & Consulting partners Gary B. Wilcox, Kimberley M. Reeder, and of counsel George T. Bell; Environmental Litigation of counsel Maxine M. Woelfling; Antitrust partner Harry T. Robins; and Energy partner Mark R. Haskell.

For additional details on the transaction, please see BG Group's press release at: <http://www.bg-group.com/MediaCentre/Press/Pages/10May2010.aspx>.

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