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His Excellency, Andre Kimbuta, Governor of Kinshasa, Visits U.S. to Meet with Prime Income Asset Management and Balkan Energy Officials

Delegation from the Democratic Republic of Congo Meets with Dallas-based Real Estate and Energy Sector Advisors to Discuss Country's Infrastructure Development Needs

DALLAS, Tx. (November 19, 2008) – His Excellency, Andre Kimbuta, Governor of Kinshasa, Congo, along with a 7-person government delegation, visited the U.S. recently on a fact-finding mission regarding possible assistance for infrastructure development for his country.

Governor Kimbuta and his team were met by officials from Dallas-based Prime Income Asset Management LLC, an advisory and management company to real estate and energy sector companies and Balkan Energy Company LLC, a privately owned energy company, which handles power projects in developing countries. Balkan Energy, originally formed to explore ways to provide power to Albania and other Balkan countries, has since expanded its footprint to include the African nations of Ghana and Botswana. According to Prime officials, in addition to possibly building new power plants in Kinshasa, the largest province in the Congo, an upcoming Conference of French-speaking countries to be held in Kinshasa in 2010 was among several reasons for the recent stateside visit.

According to His Excellency, Governor Kimbuta, "We are committed to resolving our power and infrastructure issues, so that we can provide much needed relief and a better life for the people of our country, while continuing to encourage normal business operations by national and international investors."

"Like its neighboring African countries, Ghana and Botswana, the Democratic Republic of Congo, while home to one of the country's largest hydro plants, also faces a shortage of electricity and significant infrastructure development due to the country's continued growth," said Daniel J. Moos, chief operating officer of Prime Income Asset Management. "It is our hope to immediately put together a delegation comprised of officials from Prime Income Asset Management, Balkan Energy and Dallas-based consultants to the Congo, to visit Kinshasa over the next few weeks in order to assess their needs, undertake studies and help them devise viable solutions."

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