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**AIG GLOBAL INVESTMENT GROUP INVESTS IN BRAZILIAN BEEF PROCESSOR  
FRIGORÍFICO MERCOSUL**

NEW YORK— September 13, 2006—AIG Global Investment Group today announced that AIG Capital Partners, Inc., a member company, has invested US \$21.5 million in Frigorifico Mercosul (Mercosul) after receiving all necessary regulatory approvals. The investment was made from the AIG Global Emerging Markets Fund II, L.P. (GEM II), and the transaction will support Mercosul's growth strategy in Brazil.

Based in Bagé, Brazil, Mercosul is the leading beef processor in the state of Rio Grande do Sul, with over 20% market share. The company specializes in the processing and sale of high quality beef from European breeds. Proceeds from this round of financing will allow Mercosul to increase total processing capacity and finance working capital needs.

"We are pleased to partner with a fast growing and successful company like Mercosul, which is the seventh largest beef processing company in a rapidly increasing market," said Fernando Borges, CEO of AIG Capital do Brazil. "AIG Capital Partners believes that Mercosul will be able to capitalize on the Brazilian competitive advantages to increase its market share in the local and international beef market, bringing the company to an even higher competitive level. GEM II is one of the first international private equity funds to invest in this industry, and we anticipate a flurry of activity from large foreign strategic companies in this space," said Ana Vigon, Managing Director and Head of Latin America Private Equity of AIG Capital Partners.

"With AIG Capital Partners as an investor, we can focus on expansion through acquisition of new plants, as well as vertically integrating the business with the benefit of 'by-products' such as leather, bio-diesel, cooked frozen beef, and toys for pets," said Claudinei Perez, CFO of Mercosul. "In addition, besides being a strong financial supporter, AIG Capital Partners' participation on Mercosul's board will also play a key role in guiding our expansion strategy."

As a member company of AIG Global Investment Group, AIG Capital Partners is a leading private equity investor in emerging markets, with 100 investment professionals located in 19 offices worldwide.

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assets, and employs more than 1,800 professionals in 44 offices around the world as of June 30, 2006. Total assets under management include approximately US \$450 billion of AIG affiliated assets. The member companies of AIGGIG are subsidiaries of American International Group, Inc. (NYSE:AIG).

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