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Auspex Capital Secures Financing for FairfieldWen

The Transaction:

FairfieldWen, LLC ("FairfieldWen"), a newly formed affiliate of CKA Management Inc. ("CKA"), owned and operated by Wendy's veterans, John Antonaccio, Keith Kas and Joe Cugine, has secured \$19,000,000 in a term loan commitment from Huntington National Bank. The loan was used to finance the acquisition of nine very high-volume Wendy's restaurants in Connecticut. CKA, a Lyndhurst, New Jersey based restaurant operating company, owns and manages 88 Wendy's restaurants through various affiliates. Auspex Capital served as the financial advisor and debt placement agent for CKA in this transaction. Since 2011, Auspex has been CKA's exclusive financial advisor, completing over 40 transactions over the past 14 years, including the acquisition of 81 restaurants and the placement of more than \$400 million in debt.

The Advisor:

Auspex Capital is a boutique investment banking and financial advisory firm specializing in the restaurant industry. For more information about how we can help your business procure cost effective capital or for a no-cost evaluation of your business, please call Chris Kelleher at 562-424-2455 or email at ckelleher@auspexcapital.com.