



Press release

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Intrepid Partners and Rothschild & Co announce strategic alliance to provide world-class Restructuring and Debt Advisory expertise to the Energy sector in North America

Intrepid Partners, LLC, the advisory business of the energy-focused merchant bank Intrepid Financial Partners, LLC, and Rothschild & Co's Global Advisory business, today announced a strategic alliance to collaborate on providing oil and gas companies and investors in the United States and Canada with best-in-class restructuring and debt advisory services. The strategic alliance brings together Intrepid Partners' highly regarded capabilities and strong relationships in the North American energy sector with Rothschild & Co's worldwide network of Global Advisory energy bankers and deep expertise in restructuring and debt advisory, to provide North American energy firms and investors with access to world-class advice.

"Partnering with Rothschild & Co's Global Advisory business will ensure that our clients, investors and energy companies throughout the US and Canada can receive the best restructuring and debt advice possible," stated Skip McGee, co-founder and CEO of Intrepid Financial Partners. *"This agreement allows us to further expand the leading capabilities of our advisory practice and offer even more to our network of energy clients and relationships. We are thrilled to be working with the distinguished team at Rothschild & Co."*

Founded in 2015, Intrepid Financial Partners is an energy-focused merchant bank with advisory and investing businesses across offices in Houston and New York. Its investing business makes primarily private debt and equity investments through various investment vehicles. Intrepid Partners, its advisory business, provides a full suite of advisory services, including mergers and acquisitions, restructuring, and capital raising. Since its founding, Intrepid Partners has advised on over \$70 billion of announced transactions.

With a deep understanding of financial markets, and an unrivalled network of over 1,000 specialists in 40 countries across the globe, Rothschild & Co's Global Advisory business is a leader in independent M&A and strategic advisory, and Financing Advisory encompassing Debt Advisory, Restructuring, and Equity Advisory. The firm's North American business is recognized as a leader in restructuring advice and execution and has advised on many of the region's most high-profile and transformative transactions. As Rothschild & Co continues to expand its Global Advisory capabilities and sector coverage in North America, the alliance with Intrepid Partners will provide the firm with greater access to energy companies and investors in the region. In 2017, Rothschild & Co ranked number one globally in announced restructuring transactions and number two in completed transactions, according to Thomson Reuters' Global Distressed Debt & Bankruptcy Restructuring Rankings.

"This is an exciting partnership for us as we continue to grow our Global Advisory business in North America," said Jimmy Neissa, Head of Rothschild & Co North America. *"Skip and the principals at Intrepid Partners have the right relationships and know-how within the energy sector. This alliance is a great fit for both firms and we're looking forward to working with the team at Intrepid Partners."*

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About Intrepid Financial Partners

Intrepid Financial Partners is a merchant bank with Advisory and Investing platforms. It works with companies and investors in the energy sector to provide merger & acquisition and restructuring advice and makes principal equity and debt investments. The firm leverages the deep industry knowledge, relationships and capital-raising expertise of its principals on behalf of its clients and investors. Intrepid invests its own capital alongside its clients.

Intrepid has offices in Houston and New York. For more information on Intrepid, please visit <http://www.intrepidfp.com/>.

About Global Advisory, Rothschild & Co

With a team of approximately 3,500 talented financial services specialists on the ground in over 40 countries across the world, Rothschild & Co's integrated global network of trusted professionals provide in-depth market intelligence and effective long-term solutions for our clients in Global Advisory, Wealth & Asset Management, and Merchant Banking. Rothschild & Co is family-controlled and independent and has been at the center of the world's financial markets for over 200 years.

The Global Advisory business of the Rothschild & Co group designs and executes strategic M&A and financing solutions. It combines the breadth of its advisory offering with a high volume of transactions to achieve a unique understanding and perspective into markets and participants worldwide.

The business provides impartial, expert advice to large and mid-sized corporations, private equity, families and entrepreneurs, and governments through an unrivalled network of 1,000 industry and financing specialists in over 40 countries worldwide.