# NB Private Equity Partners Limited

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# **KEY INFORMATION**

Trading Symbol: NBPE Exchange: Euronext Amsterdam Listing Date: 25 July 2007 Base Currency: USD Bloomberg: NBPE NA Reuters: NBPE.AS ISIN: GG00B1ZBD492 COMMON: 030991001 Euronext Code: GG00B1ZBD492

As of 31 March 2009, the investment portfolio included exposure to 58 underlying investments and over 2,300 underlying portfolio companies.

\* Includes both equity and mezzanine coinvestments.

\*\* As of 31 March 2009, there were 51,160,165 Class A ordinary shares and 10,000 Class B ordinary shares outstanding, with 3,049,835 Class A ordinary shares held in treasury. As of 28 February 2009, there were 51,315,722 Class A ordinary shares and 10,000 Class B ordinary shares outstanding, with 2,894,278 Class A ordinary shares held in treasury.

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# **COMPANY OVERVIEW**

NB Private Equity Partners Limited ("NBPE" or "the Company") is a closed-end investment company registered under the laws of Guernsey managed by the NB Alternatives group of Neuberger Berman and its affiliates (together, the "Investment Manager"). We invest in private equity funds managed by leading sponsors, including funds of funds managed by the Investment Manager, and make direct private equity investments alongside leading sponsors ("co-investments"). Our investment objective is to produce attractive returns on our capital from our private equity investments while managing investment risk through portfolio diversification across asset class, vintage year, geography, industry and sponsor.

#### INVESTMENT MANAGER COMMENTARY

NBPE did not commit to any new private equity funds or invest in any direct co-investments in March. The Company invested an aggregate \$5.0 million in private equity investments and received an aggregate \$0.1 million of distributions during the month. As a result, NBPE's private equity investment level increased to 108% of total net asset value at 31 March 2009. During March, 51% of the capital deployed was invested in buyout funds, 24% was invested in distressed funds and 25% was invested in growth equity / venture funds.

NBPE's unaudited net asset value per share was \$8.17 at 31 March 2009. This represents an increase of 0.4% compared to the unaudited net asset value per share of \$8.13 at 28 February 2009. During March, NBPE's portfolio value increased principally as a result of appreciation in the unrealized value of publicly traded equity securities and unrealized gains due to positive foreign exchange adjustments. In addition, the net effect of share repurchases through the Company's Liquidity Enhancement Agreement contributed approximately \$0.02 to NBPE's net asset value per share during March.

# NET ASSET VALUE DEVELOPMENT

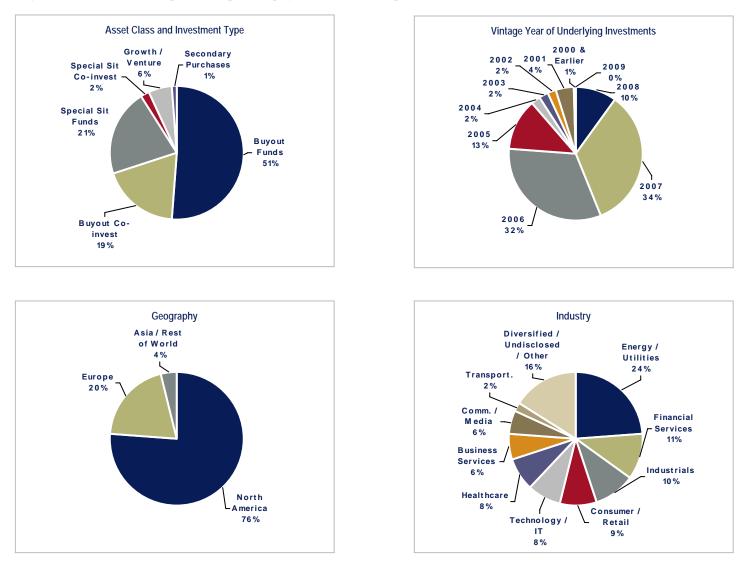
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Summary of Net Asset Value	31 M arch 2009	28 February 2009
Direct Fund Investments and Fund of Funds Investments	\$365.0	\$357.3
Co-investments *	\$87.7	\$88.0
Total Private Equity Investments	\$452.7	\$445.4
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$108.2	\$ 114.1
Credit Facility	(137.1)	(137.0)
Net Other Assets (Liabilities), including M inority Interest	(6.0)	(5.0)
Net Asset Value	\$417.8	\$417.5
Net Asset Value per Share **	\$8.17	\$8.13
Closing Share Price	\$ 1.80	\$2.07
Premium (Discount)	(78.0%)	(74.6%)
Summary of Private Equity Exposure	31 M arch 2009	28 February 2009
Estimated Net Asset Value of Private Equity Investments	\$452.7	\$445.4
Unfunded Private Equity Commitments	\$ 170.6	\$ 175.6
Total Private Equity Exposure	\$623.3	\$621.0
Private Equity Investment Level	108%	107%
Commitment Level	149%	149%
Cash + Undrawn Committed Credit Facility	\$221.5	\$227.5

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## PRIVATE EQUITY PORTFOLIO DIVERSIFICATION

Key information about NBPE's portfolio of private equity investments based upon fair value at 31 March 2009 was as follows<sup>2</sup>:



Based on total private equity exposure, which includes unfunded commitments, the diversification of NBPE's portfolio of private equity investments at 31 March 2009 was as follows<sup>2</sup>:

- Asset class and investment type buyout funds: 53%; buyout co-investments: 14%; special situations funds: 21%; special situations co-investments: 1%; growth / venture: 9%; secondary purchases: 2%
- Vintage year of fund or co-investment 2000 & earlier: 0%; 2001: 3%; 2002: 2%; 2003: 2%; 2004: 2%; 2005: 11%; 2006: 32%; 2007: 36%; 2008: 11%; 2009: 1%
- Geography North America: 72%; Europe: 24%; Asia / rest of world: 4%
- Industry energy / utilities: 22%; industrials: 12%; financial services: 11%; consumer / retail: 10%; technology / IT: 8%; healthcare: 8%; communications / media: 8%; business services: 6%; transportation: 3%; diversified / undisclosed / other: 12%

The diversification of NBPE's unfunded private equity commitments at 31 March 2009 was as follows<sup>2</sup>:

- Asset class and investment type buyout funds: 60%; buyout co-investments: 4%; special situations funds: 19%; special situations co-investments: 0%; growth / venture: 16%; secondary purchases: 1%
- Vintage year of fund or co-investment 2000 & earlier: 1%; 2001: 1%; 2002: 0%; 2003: 1%; 2004: 1%; 2005: 9%; 2006: 30%; 2007: 41%; 2008: 12%; 2009: 4%

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# VALUATION METHODOLOGY

The Company carries its private equity investments on its books at fair value using the best information it has reasonably available to determine or estimate fair value. Publicly traded securities are valued based on quoted prices as of the last day of the relevant period less discounts to reflect legal restrictions, if any, that affect marketability. The Company determines such values for publicly traded securities held directly as well as known public positions held in the underlying private equity investments on a look-through basis. The Company estimates fair value for private interests based on a methodology that begins with the most recent information available from the general partner of the underlying fund or the lead investor of a direct co-investment, and considers subsequent transactions, such as drawdowns or distributions, as well as other information judged to be reliable that reports or indicates valuation changes, including realizations and other portfolio company events. The Company proactively revalues its investments before it has received updated information from the fund manager or lead sponsor if it becomes aware of material events that justify a change in valuation.

NBPE will issue an annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and also issue an interim report and financial statements for the quarter ended 31 March 2009. These reports will include financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. NBPE is required to consider, and will consider, all known material information in preparing such financial statements, including information that may become known subsequent to the issuance of this monthly report. Accordingly, amounts included in the financial statements may differ from this monthly report.

# LIQUIDITY ENHANCEMENT AGREEMENT

In July 2008, NBPE announced the adoption of a Liquidity Enhancement Agreement (the "Agreement") that is intended to further strengthen the liquidity in the trading of NBPE's Class A ordinary shares ("shares") on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext. NBPE entered into the Agreement with ABN AMRO Bank N.V. London Branch ("ABN"), giving ABN sole discretion to effect share repurchases and sales of shares held in treasury on Euronext Amsterdam. During March, a total of 155,557 shares were repurchased pursuant to the Agreement at a total net purchase price of approximately \$282,338, or an average price per share of approximately \$1.82. There were 12 days in which transactions were conducted, with an average daily repurchase volume of 12,963 shares. The net effect of share repurchases during March contributed approximately \$0.02 to NBPE's net asset value per share. The repurchased shares are held as treasury shares. As of 31 March 2009, there were 51,160,165 Class A ordinary shares and 10,000 Class B ordinary shares outstanding, with 3,049,835 Class A ordinary shares held in treasury.

1. Figures provided are unaudited and subject to change. Certain numbers may not total due to rounding.

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<sup>2.</sup> The diversification analysis by asset class and investment type is based on the net asset value of underlying fund investments and co-investments (including unfunded commitments on a total private equity exposure basis). The diversification analysis by vintage year, geography and industry is based on the diversification of underlying portfolio company investments at fair value as estimated by the Investment Manager. The vintage year diversification also includes an allocation of net cash flows and valuation adjustments made since financial statements were last received from the investment sponsor. Determinations regarding asset class, investment type, geography and industry, as well as the allocation of unfunded commitments on a total private equity exposure basis, also represent the Investment Manager's estimates. Accordingly, the actual diversification of our investment portfolio on an ongoing basis may vary from the foregoing information.