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## **ACG LA ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 2011 ANNUAL AWARDS**

*Awards Honor Companies That Have Demonstrated  
Outstanding Performance and Leadership*

**LOS ANGELES – MARCH 21, 2011** – The Los Angeles Chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG LA) today announced the winners of its inaugural 2011 Annual Awards. The awards recognize a select group of local companies that have demonstrated outstanding performance and leadership in their respective industries.

“We are delighted to honor our first annual ACG LA Award winners, a collection of 12 outstanding area companies that have demonstrated the principles that are core to our organization,” said Jason Brown, chairman of ACG LA. “These awards celebrate private and public companies that not only have demonstrated leadership in their fields but have also made a significant impact in the region. They are a true testament to the thriving business community of Los Angeles, and our congratulations go out to all the winners.”

The 2011 ACG LA Award winners are:

- **Public Company Growth Award - Large Cap:** AECOM (NYSE: ACM)
- **Public Company Growth Award – Small Cap:** IPC The Hospitalist Company (NASDAQ: IPCM)
- **Private Company Growth Award:** Pelican Products
- **Global Award:** Avery Dennison (NYSE: AVY)
- **Founders Award:** J Brand, Inc.
- **IPO of the Year:** Green Dot Corporation
- **Green Award:** Patagonia
- **Corporate Responsibility Award:** DineEquity (NYSE: DIN)
- **Profitability Award:** j2 Global Communications (NASDAQ: JCOM)
- **Large Cap Deal of the Year:** Abraxis BioScience, Inc.
- **Middle Market Strategic Deal of the Year:** Encompass Digital Media
- **Middle Market Sponsor Deal of the Year:** Bristol Farms

The winning companies will be honored at an awards ceremony on Thursday, April 28, 2011, at Walt Disney Concert Hall from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Los Angeles, California.

**About ACG and ACG LA**

The Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) is the global community for middle market M&A dealmakers and business leaders focused on driving growth. ACG members have access to data, content and networking opportunities to access capital, make deals and foster corporate growth. Founded in 1954, ACG has grown to more than 13,000 members organized in 56 chapters throughout North America, Europe and Asia. For more information, please visit [www.acg.org](http://www.acg.org).

ACG LA is one of the largest and most active chapters of ACG, delivering thought-provoking, knowledge-based events and networking opportunities. Our members and attendees – including leading corporate officers, private equity sources and service providers – participate in monthly meetings, world-class conferences and intimate roundtable discussions. We help dealmakers and business leaders stay abreast of current issues relating to corporate growth and stay connected with their peers. For more information, please visit [www.acgla.org](http://www.acgla.org).

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