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VENTURELINK FUNDS COMMENTS ON INVESTMENT IN ORION SECURITIES INC. FOLLOWING ACQUISITION BY MACQUARIE GROUP.

TORONTO (October 10, 2007) – VentureLink LP, manager of the VentureLink Group of labour-sponsored investment funds, with over \$250 million in assets under management, today announced it will continue to hold its debt interest in Orion Securities Inc. upon completion of an acquisition of Orion by Macquarie Group, an Australian headquartered global financial services organization.

Orion, formerly known as Yorkton Securities, has completed several financially successful years as a result of the resource bull market, earning a pre-tax profit of \$41 million in its last fiscal year. The transaction is expected to close by the end of 2007. Under Macquarie ownership the business will operate as Macquarie Capital Markets Canada Limited.

VentureLink Diversified Income Fund invested \$760,000 and VentureLink Financial Services Innovation Fund invested \$5,940,000 in October, 2003. These debentures will remain outstanding until their March, 2009 maturity. The two funds acquired a small equity position in Orion as well. The equity positions will be sold for cost plus restricted common shares in Macquarie. The impact on the Funds' NAV will be immaterial.

John Varghese, Managing Partner, VentureLink LP, an Orion Director and also former Chairman said "Our capital was invested at a critical juncture in Orion's operations as we invested at the front end of the turnaround. Dan Cristall and his partners have done a tremendous job creating value for all stakeholders in the four years since. Orion goes from an employee owned firm to being sponsored by a world class organization in Macquarie."

About VentureLink

With over \$250 million under management, VentureLink Funds are a diverse group of labour-sponsored funds ("LSIF"). The group was a pioneer in bringing funds focused on mezzanine debt to the LSIF market, a conservative approach that provides investors benefit from the security of debt positions along with the growth potential of participating

equity. VentureLink Funds give investors access to well-diversified portfolios of established companies operating in traditional industries such as financial, manufacturing and service industries as well as dynamic industries like alternative energy.

The company maintains a strong relationship with CI Financial Inc., who performs client services and client account administration for the Funds. For more information, please visit: www.venturelinkfunds.com.

About Orion Securities Inc.

Orion is a leading Canadian institutional independent dealer that provides investment banking services primarily to the resources sector. Orion's focus is on a number of key sectors including Energy, Mining, Technology, Health Care & Biotechnology, and Diversified Industries. Orion's principal activities include M&A advisory, equity underwritings, equity research, sales and trading as well as proprietary trading and market making. Orion has offices in Toronto, Calgary and Montreal. For more information, visit: www.orionsecurities.ca

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