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The logo for MotherRock, consisting of the word "MotherRock" in a white, sans-serif font centered within a solid black square.

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J. Robert (Bo) Collins, Jr. is the founder and managing partner of MotherRock LP. He is the former president of the New York Mercantile Exchange, the largest physical commodity exchange in the world and the preeminent trading forum for energy and precious metals. After joining the exchange in July 2001, Mr. Collins led 500 employees through initiatives that produced a 248% return to shareholders over a three-year period (compared to S&P return over the same period of 5.5%), a new Standard & Poor's credit rating of AA+, and recognition by Energy Risk magazine as the 2004 Exchange of the Year. While at NYMEX, Mr. Collins introduced the highly successful ClearPort Clearing platform, a credit intermediation facility which offers market participants access to all aspects of energy trading.

Through his experience at NYMEX Mr. Collins became intimately familiar with the myriad opportunities of the global energy marketplace. He resigned his post in 2004 to found MotherRock and return to his passion for trading and investment within the energy sector. Prior to leading the NYMEX, Mr. Collins served as a Senior Vice President at El Paso Merchant Energy in Houston, Texas, where he was the head derivatives trader in natural gas. Mr. Collins was a member of a small executive team that developed the firm's comprehensive corporate risk management policies resulting in the successful turn-around of the previously failing Natural Gas Division. His group reorganized resources and implemented sophisticated trading methodology that resulted in pre-tax income of over \$500 million by the third year of operations. During his tenure at El Paso, shareholders realized total returns of 83.9 % (compared to S&P return over the same period of 34.3%).

Earlier in his career Mr. Collins was an option market maker in various commodity categories on the trading floor at NYMEX and worked at the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas after graduating with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Texas A&M University. He is a member of the boards of trustees of the Institute for Financial Markets, the University of Houston Global Energy Management Institute and serves on the Global Markets Advisory Committee of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.