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**Capstone Business Credit Funds  
\$19.2 Million for D'Annunzio Distribution, Inc.**

**Manufacturer and Distributor of Luxury Market Jewelry  
Signs with Venture Merchant Banking Firm**

**New York, NY** – December 18, 2006 – Capstone Business Credit, LLC, a venture merchant banking firm that provides working capital and financial structures to small businesses, today announced the signing of a two-year, \$19.2 million financing deal for D'Annunzio Distribution, Inc. (DDI), a Totowa, New Jersey based designer, manufacturer and distributor of fine jewelry and luxury market products, including a recently launched collection of licensed character jewelry in partnership with Warner Brothers Consumer Products (WBCP).

The Capstone deal represents \$7.2 million of purchase order financing and \$12 million in factoring. The funding will allow D'Annunzio to continue its aggressive growth plans that include additional WBCP licenses, global expansion and the 2007 launch of boutique stores in major US markets. The impact of the firm's proprietary collections and the new celebrity licensing product lines launched in 2006 will result in a sales increase in excess of \$7,000,000 for next year (2007) and in excess of \$10,000,000 for 2008.

"Our firm's growth in the licensed character market far exceeded our banking relationship's ability to fund our brands," said Arthur D'Annunzio, CEO of D'Annunzio Distribution, Inc. "Capstone has given us the financial power and freedom to do what we do best," continued D'Annunzio. "To design, manufacture and distribute fine jewelry while pursuing a wider scope of opportunities for other

luxury concepts and licenses. Capstone's funding aggressively takes away the slack with traditional lenders and allows us to be ahead of the game."

D'Annunzio Distribution, Inc. (DDI) is the latest initiative of Arthur D'Annunzio, who also oversees family-owned sister company D'Annunzio Showcase Dealers—well-known designers of fashion-forward, fine jewelry for more than 50 years. The focus of DDI is in the creation of new, fresh and exciting concepts in the luxury, fine jewelry market to fill a noticeable void in product offerings.

Some of these collections include the highly successful launch of the WBCP Tweety and Tweety Platinum Blonde lines, based on and inspired by the eponymous cartoon character, as well as several more traditional lines such as Celebrations, an innovative interpretation of products advertised heavily by industry conglomerate Diamond Trading Company; Sweets, candy inspired jewelry; Symbols engagement rings that feature the couple's birthstones set inside the ring; and Corsage, a high-end line of invisible-set diamond jewelry with large distribution in Asia and Europe.

D'Annunzio designs are currently sold in a wide range of jewelry specialty and department stores, with boutiques planned in other luxury independents and majors for 2007. Prices for product range between \$500 and \$100,000 dollars.

### **About Capstone Business Credit, LLC**

Capstone Business Credit, LLC, a privately-held, venture merchant banking firm, provides structured financing to companies that are involved in the domestic and international trade of finished consumer and industrial products. These firms are in a 'cash crunch' due to high demand for successful product lines or are in a turnaround or bankruptcy situation.

The firm infuses working capital into businesses with typical sales of less than \$100 million and provides unique structured financial products designed to provide the additional working capital needed to take advantage of incremental sales opportunities that smaller firms often lose, forfeiting growth opportunities.

Capstone has provided more than \$1 billion in funding to small businesses across a wide range of industries that include electronics, bath and body, women's and men's apparel, flooring, marble and concrete, jewelry, wine, kosher foods and ladies handbags, among others.

For more information about Capstone Business Credit, LLC visit [www.capstonetrade.com](http://www.capstonetrade.com)

### **About D'Annunzio Distribution, Inc.**

Based in Totowa, New Jersey, D'Annunzio Distribution, Inc. specializes in the designing, manufacturing and distribution of high quality fashion jewelry based on innovative new product concepts and licenses. In addition to the Tweety Collections, DDI recently launched several other new lines including the patented Symbols bridal collection, invisible-set luxury diamond Corsage collection, candy-themed Sweets collection, and the Celebrations collection of occasion-based gift diamond jewelry. Visit [www.dannunziony.com](http://www.dannunziony.com) for more information.

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