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Westshore Capital Partners Launches To Buy Small Companies

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9/28/2006 -- Buyout firm Westshore Capital Partner has launched in Tampa, Fla., to buy small companies in the U.S. and Canada.

Westshore Capital will look to buy small companies with annual revenue between \$8 million and \$40 million and operating profit between \$1.7 million and \$7 million in various industries, including manufacturing, distribution and service.

The firm is being headed by David Malizia, who has spent the last 12 years as a managing director at Florida Capital Partners. He will serve as managing partner of Westshore Capital.

Serving as advisers and partners at the firm are Earl Powell, the co-founder and current chairman of Trivest Partners, and Andy Krusen, who is affiliated with Dominion Financial Group. Westshore has formed strategic alliances with both Trivest and Dominion for deal referrals and advice.

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