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WHAT: University of New Hampshire CEO Forum, “Irving Oil and World Oil Prices” with Ned Bulmer, director of Irving Oil Corporation

WHEN: Thursday, Nov. 16, 2006

WHERE: 8 a.m., the New England Center, Durham, NH

RSVP: If you are planning to cover this event, please RSVP to Lori Wright at lori.wright@unh.edu or 603-862-0574. Seating is limited.

BACKGROUND: Ned Bulmer will present an overview of Irving Oil Corporation and provide insight on the rollercoaster ride of world oil prices. Founded in 1924, Irving Oil is a family owned and privately held regional energy processing, transporting and marketing company headquartered in St. John, NB, with U.S. marketing operations in Portsmouth. Irving has more than 7,000 employees, 800 retail sites, and operations from 31 marine terminals.

Irving Oil serves customers in New England and Eastern Canada. Irving Oil’s St. John refinery is Canada’s largest. The company is exploring the possibility of building a second refinery in St. John, which would be the first major refinery built in North America in almost a quarter century and would be the largest private-sector investment in Atlantic Canada.

Bulmer is responsible for the development of new business opportunities for the company’s business lines, including wholesale, convenience retail and home heat. He also is active in representing the company’s interests with various industry organizations and governmental agencies. Prior to joining Irving in 1999, he worked as an energy consultant and was president of one of the largest energy distribution companies in the Northeast. He has extensive experience with the wholesale petroleum business, natural gas business and electric power generation.

To register or become a member of the UNH CEO Forum, call Barbara Draper at 603-862-1107, or e-mail her at barbara.draper@unh.edu. The event is free to members and $79 for nonmembers.

Initiated in 1997, the UNH CEO Forum is an outreach program of the UNH Whittemore School of Business and Economics and the UNH Graduate School serving CEOs, presidents, and senior managers of companies in northern New England. The forum provides its members with opportunities to meet and exchange ideas with their peers in business and industry in an
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