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**Annual Distressed Investing Conference  
and Turnaround Awards Gala**

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## Finalists Unveiled for the 2008 Turnaround Awards

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**New York:** The M&A Advisor, a progressive information services provider, announces the finalists for its second Annual Turnaround Awards Gala. The recognition program will honor top professionals and the deals they completed in the past twelve months in **17 categories** including the Turnaround Consultant of the Year and Turnaround Deal of the Year awards.

"I want to congratulate the finalists who represent accomplishments in the distressed investing, restructuring and turnaround marketplace." said Roger Aguinaldo, founder and chief executive of The M&A Advisor. "We value their efforts in submitting nominations on wide varieties of transactions."

New award categories for 2008 include: Restructuring Consulting Firm of the Year, Out of Court Restructuring Deal of the Year, Refinancing Deal of the Year and Distressed M&A Deal of the Year.

Winners will be revealed during the awards gala, held at the Colony Hotel, Palm Beach, on February 25, 2008. The gala culminates Distressed Investing Conference organized by The M&A Advisor.

For information about The M&A Advisor Distressed Investing Conference and Turnaround Awards Gala, **visit:** [www.maadvisor.com/conference](http://www.maadvisor.com/conference) or call 718-997-7900.

## 2008 Turnaround Awards List of Finalists

### Major Awards

#### Distressed M&A Deal of the Year

*Acquisition of Nelson Nutraceutical, Inc.*  
Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld LLP

*Acquisition of Energy Steel Products from  
Samuel Manu-Tech, Inc.*  
Lone Star New Markets LP

*Acquisition of Atwood Mobile Products LLC from Dura  
Automotive through 363 Sale Process*  
Insight Equity I LP

*Change of control and recapitalization of ION Media  
Networks ("ION")*  
Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP