

## ***JSC Galt & Taggart Capital Announces The Sale of 10,259,375 Newly Issued Shares***

Galt & Taggart Capital (GSE: GTC), the merchant banking arm of Bank of Georgia (GSE: GEB), a leading Georgian universal bank, announced today that it has successfully completed its first-ever capital raising by selling 10,259,375 newly issued shares. Bank of Georgia beneficially owns approximately 35,000,000 shares, or 77.3% of Galt & Taggart Capital.

The share issue, which has been placed at GEL 0.6, at the top of the offering range, with several institutional investors (71% of all bids received), high net worth individuals and Bank of Georgia employees was significantly oversubscribed. In order to partially meet the demand for its shares, the company decided to increase the number of newly issued shares offered to investors from the initially planned 6,000,000 to 10,259,375. Bank of Georgia employees subscribed to 263,375 shares at GEL 0.6 per share.

“We are pleased that investors are increasingly familiar with the Georgian equity market and seek exposure to the growth potential of the domestic consumer market, which is primary focus (excluding financial services) of Galt & Taggart Capital”, commented **Lado Gurgenidze**, Chairman of the Supervisory Board.

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### **About Galt & Taggart Capital**

Galt & Taggart Capital is the merchant banking arm of Bank of Georgia, a leading Georgian universal bank. The company invests in Georgian companies which are engaged in the production, wholesale and retail distribution and logistics support of consumer goods, provision of consumer services, real estate development and operations, and provision of business services to companies focused on the Georgian consumer market (excluding financial services). As such, the company believes that it is currently the sole investable vehicle, admitted to trading on the Georgian Stock Exchange, which offers investors broad exposure to the rapidly growing domestic consumption of goods and services in Georgia. As at September 30, 2006, the company had GEL12.2 million in assets and GEL9.8 million in equity.

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