SPAC Sponsored by Greenhill Announces Further Progress Toward Acquisition of Iridium with FCC Approval

NEW YORK, August 17, 2009 – Greenhill & Co., Inc. ("Greenhill") (NYSE: GHL) today announced that the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") has approved the combination of GHL Acquisition Corp. ("GHL Acquisition") (NYX: GHQ, GHQ.U and GHQ.WS), the special purpose acquisition company sponsored by Greenhill, and Iridium Holdings LLC ("Iridium").

GHL Acquisition also announced that it plans to hold its shareholder vote on the Iridium acquisition on September 23, 2009. Closing of the acquisition is subject to, and will occur as soon as practicable following, a favorable shareholder vote.

Forward-Looking Statements and Other Disclosure

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