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Wilmington Trust Leads Financing for West Chester Office Building County of Chester to Lease 100% of Building

Villanova, PA, October 27, 2009 – Wilmington Trust announced today that it will provide the lead financing for a new, six-story building in downtown West Chester that will be the new home to several Chester County offices.

The 123,500-square-foot building will be located at 313 West Market Street, adjacent to the recently opened Chester County Justice Center. The building, which includes four floors of Class “A” office space and two levels of covered parking for 166 vehicles, is expected to be granted Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification by the U.S. Green Building Council. Originally developed on a speculative basis for multiple tenants, the completed building will be solely occupied by various offices of Chester County, which has signed a 20-year lease agreement.

The property is being developed by Free Range Associates II, L.P. of Downingtown. Wilmington Trust FSB, Pennsylvania is joining forces with Beneficial Bank to provide \$26 million to finance the building’s construction, which is expected to begin this fall and be completed in early 2011.

“We are proud to be part of this important project in downtown West Chester and to work with Eli Kahn, Jack Loew, and Gary Toll, the principals of Free Range Associates,” said Jeffrey J. Culp, president of Wilmington Trust FSB, Pennsylvania. “The developers and owners of this project are longstanding clients of ours and have been instrumental in many successful projects throughout Chester County. We are pleased once again to serve their lending needs.”

Wilmington Trust FSB, Pennsylvania provides commercial banking and wealth advisory services to family-owned or closely held businesses with annual sales of up to \$250 million. The company serves these clients with teams of commercial bankers and wealth advisors, who support clients' lending needs as they establish and grow their businesses and their families' wealth management needs as their businesses prosper.

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