

# BDO CAPITAL ADVISORS ANNOUNCES THE SALE OF ATMOSPHERIC & ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH, INC. TO INSURANCE SERVICES OFFICE, INC.

**BDO Capital Advisors, LLC**, is pleased to announce the closing of the sale of Atmospheric & Environmental Research, Inc. (“AER”), a premier environmental and scientific research and consulting company, to Insurance Services Office, Inc. (“ISO”). As the exclusive financial advisor to AER, BDO Capital prepared a confidential offering memorandum, orchestrated a marketing campaign to a highly targeted list of potential buyers and structured and negotiated the transaction.

AER, a privately held business, provides industry-leading solutions for sensing, simulating, modeling, and predicting weather-related phenomena in the atmosphere, ocean, and space. AER provides its services to federal agencies, including the Department of Defense, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to enable high-priority, mission-critical programs. AER also supports Fortune 500 defense contractors, research institutions, and commercial entities in the financial and energy industries. AER has leveraged proprietary partnerships and technologies developed over three decades to create and refine advanced computer models, analysis tools and databases that provide enhanced understanding of and predictions about the atmosphere, ocean and climate.

ISO is a leading provider of risk management products and services. ISO provides data, analytics and decision-support services to professionals in many fields, including insurance, finance, real estate, health services, government, human resources and risk management. Using advanced technologies to collect, analyze, develop and deliver information, ISO helps customers evaluate and manage risk. The company draws on vast expertise in actuarial science, insurance coverages, fire protection, fraud prevention, catastrophe and weather risk, predictive modeling, data management, economic forecasting, social and technological trends, and many other fields. To meet the needs of diverse clients, ISO employs an experienced staff of business and technical specialists, analysts, and certified professionals. In the United States and around the world, ISO helps customers protect people, property, and financial assets.

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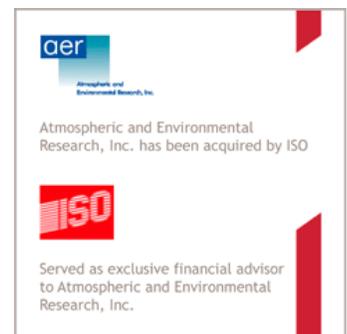
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