Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc. Form SC 13G February 12, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Rule 13d-102)

Information to be Included in Statements Filed
Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b)(c), and (d) and Amendments thereto
Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-2(b)

(Amendment No.__)*

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

50077C 106 (CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2009

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

"Rule 13d-1(b)

"Rule 13d-1(c)

x Rule 13d-1(d)

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The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

1. Names of Reporting Persons.

I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

J.P. Morgan Partners (BHCA), L.P.

13-3371826

- 2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
 - (a)
 - (b) x
- 3. SEC Use Only

Citizenship or Place of

4. Organization Delaware

Sole Voting

Number of Shares

5. Power 4,328,179 shares of common stock

Beneficially

Shared Voting

Owned by Each Reporting Person 6. Power n/a

Sole Dispositive

With:

7. Power 4,328,179 shares of common stock

n/a

8. Shared Dispositive Power

Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

4,328,179 shares of common

- 9. stock
- 10. Check box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
- 11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

14.1% (1)

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

PN

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1.	Names	of Reportin	g Persons.

I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors, L.P.

13-4197054

- 2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
 - (a)
 - (b)
- 3. SEC Use Only

Citizenship or Place of

4. Organization Delaware

Sole Voting Number of Shares

5. Power 1,037,530 shares of common stock

Shared Voting

Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

Power 6. n/a

Sole Dispositive

7. Power 1,037,530 shares of common stock With: 8.

Shared Dispositive Power n/a

Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

1,037,530 shares of common

- 9. stock
- Check box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) 10.
- 11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 3.4%(1)
- 12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

PN

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1.	Names	of Reporting	g Persons.
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I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

JPMP Global Fund/Kraton A, L.P.

04-3782676

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a)

(b) x

3. SEC Use Only

Citizenship or Place of

4. Organization Delaware

Sole Voting

Number of Shares

5. Power 159,420 shares of common stock

Shared Voting

Beneficially Owned by Each

6. Power

Sole Dispositive

Reporting Person With:

7. Power 159,420 shares of common stock

n/a

8. Shared Dispositive Power n/a

Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

159,420 shares of common

- 9. stock
- 10. Check box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
- 11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

0.5%(1)

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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 Names of Reporting Person 	ıs.
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I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Cayman), L.P.

13-4197057

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a)

(b) x

3. SEC Use Only

Citizenship or Place of

4. Organization Cayman Islands

Number of Shares

Sole Voting

5. Power

444,268 shares of common stock

n/a

n/a

Shared Voting

Beneficially

6. Power

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Owned by Each Reporting Person

Sole Dispositive

With: 7. Power

444,268 shares of common stock

8. Shared Dispositive Power

Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

444,268 shares of common

9. stock

10. Check box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

1.5% (1)

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

PN

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1.	Names of Report I.R.S. Identifica	_	ersons. os. of above persons (e	entities or	nly).	
2.	26-0005546 Check the Appro		lobal Investors (Cayn Box if a Member of a	,		
3.	(b) x SEC Use Only					
4.	Citizenship or P Organization	lace of	Cayman Islar	nds		
Numb	er of Shares	5.	Sole Voting Power 58,252	shares o	f common stock	
Owne	icially d by Each	6.	Shared Voting Power Sole Dispositive	n/a		
With:	ting Person	7. 8.	Power Shared Dispositive		s,252 shares of common/a	on stock
9.	Aggregate Amo stock	unt Ber	neficially Owned by E	ach Repo	orting Person	58,252 shares of common
10.	Check box if the	e Aggre	egate Amount in Row	(9) Exclı	ides Certain Shares (S	See Instructions)
11.	Percent of Class	Repres	sented by Amount in I	Row (9)	0.2% (1)	
12	Type of Reporti	no Perc	on (See Instructions)			

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1.	Names	of Reporting	Persons.
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I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

JPMP Global Fund/Kraton, L.P.

04-3782674

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(b)

3. SEC Use Only

Citizenship or Place of

4. Organization Cayman Islands

Number of Shares

Sole Voting

5. Power 76,619 shares of common stock

Shared Voting

Beneficially Owned by Each

Power 6.

n/a

Sole Dispositive

Reporting Person

Power

With:

7. 76,619 shares of common stock n/a

Shared Dispositive Power 8.

Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

76.619 shares of common

9. stock

10. Check box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 0.3%(1)

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

PN

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1.	Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).							
2.	(a) (b) x							
4.	Citizenship or Pl Organization	lace of	Delaware					
Benef Owne	per of Shares licially d by Each lting Person	5.6.7.8.	Shared Voting	n/a	165,98	ommon sto 4 shares o n/a	ock of common s	stock
9.	Aggregate Amoustock	unt Ben	eficially Owned by E	ach Re	eporting	g Person		165,984 shares of common
10.	Check box if the	Aggreg	gate Amount in Row	(9) Ex	cludes (Certain Sl	nares (See In	nstructions)
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 0.5% (1)							
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)							
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1.	Names of Repor	_		·	.		
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	J.P. Morgan Par 20-4065857	tners Gl	lobal Investors (Sello	down) II, L.	P.		
2.	Check the Appro	opriate l	Box if a Member of	a Group (Se	ee Instructions)		
	(a)						
2	(b) x						
3.	SEC Use Only						
	Citizenship or P	lace of					
4.	Organization		Delaware				
			Sole Voting				
Numb	per of Shares	5.	Power 1,147.	467 shares	of common stock		
		٥.	Shared Voting	, 107 shares	or common stock		
	icially	6.	Power	n/a			
	d by Each		Sole Dispositive				
With:	ting Person	7.	Power	1,14	7,467 shares of co	mmon stock	
W ILII.		8.	Shared Dispositive	Power	n/a		
9.	Aggregate Amo stock	unt Ben	eficially Owned by l	Each Repor	ting Person	1,147,467 shares of comm	on
10.	Check box if the	e Aggre	gate Amount in Row	(9) Exclud	es Certain Shares (See Instructions)	
11.	Percent of Class	Repres	ented by Amount in	Row (9)	3.8% (1)		
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12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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1.	Names of Reporting Persons. LP S. Identification Ness of shows persons (antities only)								
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	JPMP Global Fu 37-1504347	nd/Krat	on/Selldown, L.P.						
2.	Check the Appro	priate E	Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)						
	(a)								
2	(b) X								
3.	SEC Use Only								
	Citizenship or Pl	ace of							
4.	Organization		Delaware						
Numb	er of Shares	5.	Sole Voting Power 185,305 shares of common stock						
Benefi	icially	6.	Shared Voting Power n/a						
	d by Each	0.	Sole Dispositive						
	ting Person	7.	Power 185,305 shares of common stock						
With:		8.	Shared Dispositive Power n/a						
9.	Aggregate Amoustock	unt Bene	eficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 185,305 shares of common						
10.	Check box if the	Aggreg	gate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)						
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 0.6% (1)								
12.	Type of Reportir	ng Perso	on (See Instructions)						

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1.	Names	of Reporting	g Persons.
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I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

JPMP Global Fund/Kraton/Selldown II, L.P.

20-8308462

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(b)

3. SEC Use Only

Citizenship or Place of

4. Organization Delaware

Number of Shares

Sole Voting

5. 72,205 shares of common stock Power

Shared Voting

Beneficially Owned by Each

Power 6. n/a

Sole Dispositive

Reporting Person

7. Power 72,205 shares of common stock n/a

With: Shared Dispositive Power 8.

Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 72,205 shares of common

9. stock

10. Check box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 0.2% (1)

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

PN

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(a) Name of Issuer:

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

15710 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 300 Houston, Texas 77032

Item 2.

(a) Name of Person Filing:

- J.P. Morgan Partners (BHCA), L.P. ("JPMP (BHCA)")
- J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors, L.P. ("JPMP Global")

JPMP Global Fund/Kraton A, L.P. ("JPMP Kraton A")

- J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Cayman), L.P. ("JPMP Cayman")
- J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Cayman) II, L.P. ("JPMP Cayman II")

JPMP Global Fund/Kraton, L.P. ("JPMP Kraton")

- J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Selldown), L.P. ("JPMP Selldown")
- J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Selldown) II, L.P. ("JPMP Selldown II")

JPMP Global Fund/Kraton/Selldown, L.P.. ("JPMP Kraton Selldown")

JPMP Global Fund/Kraton/Selldown II, L.P. ("JPMP Kraton Selldown II")

Supplemental information relating to the ownership and control of the person filing this statement is included in Exhibit 2(a) attached hereto.

(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence:

c/o J.P. Morgan Partners, LLC

270 Park Avenue

New York, New York 10017

See also supplemental information relating to principal business office is included in Exhibit 2(a) attached hereto.

(c) Citizenship:

JPMP (BHCA): Delaware
JPMP Global: Delaware
JPMP Kraton A: Delaware

JPMP Cayman:

JPMP Cayman II:

Cayman Islands

IPMP Kraton:

Delaware

JPMP Kraton:DelawareJPMP Selldown:DelawareJPMP Selldown II:DelawareJPMP Kraton Selldown:DelawareJPMP Kraton Selldown II:Delaware

Edgar Filing: Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc. - Form SC 13G (d) Title of Class of Securities (of Issuer): Common Stock

(e) CUSIP Number:

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Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§ 240. 13d-1(b) or 240. 13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

Not applicable.

Item 4. Ownership

(a)	Amount Beneficially Own
4,328,179	
1,037,530	
159,420	
444,268	
58,252	
76,619	
165,984	
1,147,467	
185,305	
72,205	
(b)	Percent of Class:
	4,328,179 1,037,530 159,420 444,268 58,252 76,619 165,984 1,147,467 185,305

The following percentages are based on a total of 30,596,196 Shares outstanding, which represent (i) 29,709,114 shares of common stock of the Company outstanding immediately after the Company's initial public offering of common stock (the "Initial Public Offering") pursuant to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 initially filed on October 1, 2009 (as amended) and (ii) 887,082 shares of common stock of the Company issued by the Company on January 7, 2010 pursuant to the exercise of the over-allotment option by the underwriters of the Initial Public Offering, as disclosed on the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 8, 2010:

JPMP (BHCA):	14.1%
JPMP Global:	3.4%
JPMP Kraton A:	0.5%
JPMP Cayman:	1.5%
JPMP Cayman II:	0.2%
JPMP Kraton:	0.3%
JPMP Selldown:	0.5%
JPMP Selldown II:	3.8%
JPMP Kraton Selldown:	0.6%
JPMP Kraton Selldown II:	0.2%

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i)	JPMP (BHCA):	4,328,179
	JPMP Global:	1,037,530
	JPMP Kraton A:	159,420
	JPMP Cayman:	444,268
	JPMP Cayman II:	58,252
	JPMP Kraton:	76,619
	JPMP Selldown:	165,984

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	JPMP Selldown II:	1,147,467
	JPMP Kraton Selldown:	185,305
	JPMP Kraton Selldown II:	72,205
(ii)	Not applicable	
(iii)	JPMP (BHCA):	4,328,179
	JPMP Global:	1,037,530
	JPMP Kraton A:	159,420
	JPMP Cayman:	444,268
	JPMP Cayman II:	58,252
	JPMP Kraton:	76,619
	JPMP Selldown:	165,984
	JPMP Selldown II:	1,147,467
	JPMP Kraton Selldown:	185,305
	JPMP Kraton Selldown II:	72,205

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(iv) Not applicable

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

Not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company or Control Person

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Each of TPG III Polymer Holdings LLC and TPG IV Polymer Holdings LLC (collectively, "TPG") and JPMP (BHCA), JPMP Kraton Selldown II, JPMP Global, JPMP Kraton A, JPMP Cayman, JPMP Cayman II, JPMP Kraton, JPMP Selldown, JPMP Selldown II and JPMP Kraton Selldown (collectively, "JPMP") have entered into a registration rights and shareholders' agreement with the Company (the "Shareholders' Agreement"). Pursuant to the Shareholders' Agreement, each of TPG and JPMP have the right to elect two directors to the board of directors of the Company so long as it owns 10% or more of the outstanding common stock and one director so long as it owns 2% or more of the common stock. Additionally, the Shareholders' Agreement places restrictions on each party's right to transfer their respective shares of common stock without consent of the other party, and grants rights to the other party to participate on the same terms in mutually consented transfers. These provisions will be in effect for a limited time, and terminate earlier if the ownership interest of TPG and JPMP falls below certain levels. Furthermore, the Shareholders' Agreement provides that TPG and JPMP can cause the Company to register their shares of common stock in the Company under the Securities Act of 1933 and to maintain a shelf registration statement effective with respect to such shares.

Together TPG and the JPMP own collectively 19,188,072 shares of common stock of the Company, representing approximately 62.7% of the outstanding common stock of the Company. TPG collectively owns 11,512,843 shares of common stock of the Company (the "TPG Shares"), representing approximately 37.6% of the outstanding common stock of the Company. JPMP collectively owns 7,675,229 shares of common stock of the Company (the "JPMP Shares"), representing approximately 25.1% of the outstanding common stock of the Company. This statement relates solely to the beneficial ownership of JPMP with respect to the JPMP Shares, and JPMP specifically disclaims any and all beneficial ownership in the TPG Shares.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

Not applicable

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 12, 2010

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS (BHCA), L.P.

By: JPMP Master Fund

Manager, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS GLOBAL INVESTORS, L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

JPMP GLOBAL FUND/KRATON A, L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS GLOBAL INVESTORS (CAYMAN), L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS GLOBAL INVESTORS (CAYMAN) II, L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

JPMP GLOBAL FUND/KRATON, L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

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J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS GLOBAL INVESTORS (SELLDOWN), L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS GLOBAL INVESTORS (SELLDOWN) II, L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

JPMP GLOBAL

FUND/KRATON/SELLDOWN, L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

JPMP GLOBAL FUND/KRATON/SELLDOWN II, L.P.

By:

JPMP Global Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

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EXHIBIT 2(a)

Item 2. Identity and Background.

This statement is being filed by J.P. Morgan Partners (BHCA), L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (hereinafter referred to as "JPMP (BHCA)"), whose principal business office is located 270 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017. JPMP (BHCA) is engaged in the venture capital, private equity and leveraged buyout business. The general partner of JPMP (BHCA) is JPMP Master Fund Manager, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (hereinafter referred to as "JPMP Master Fund"), whose principal business office is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA), and is also engaged directly and indirectly (through affiliates) in the venture capital, private equity and leveraged buyout business. As general partner of JPMP (BHCA), JPMP Master Fund may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by JPMP (BHCA).

This statement is also being filed by J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("JPMP Global"), whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA); JPMP Global Fund/Kraton A, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("JPMP Kraton A"), whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA); J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Cayman), L.P., a limited partnership organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("JPMP Cayman"), whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA); J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Cayman) II, L.P., a limited partnership organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("JPMP Cayman II"), whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA); JPMP Global Fund/Kraton, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("JPMP Kraton"), whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA); J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Selldown), L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("JPMP Selldown"), whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA), J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors (Selldown) II, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("JPMP Selldown II"), whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA); JPMP Global Fund/Kraton/Selldown, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("JPMP Kraton Selldown") whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA); and JPMP Global Fund/Kraton/Selldown II, L.P. ("JPMP Kraton Selldown II" and collectively with JPMP Global, JPMP Kraton A, JPMP Cayman, JPMP Cayman II, JPMP Kraton, JPMP Selldown, JPMP Selldown II and JPMP Kraton Selldown the "Global Fund Entities"), a Delaware limited partnership, whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA). Each of the Global Fund Entities is also engaged in the venture capital, private equity and leveraged buyout business. The general partner of each of the Global Fund Entities is J.P. Morgan Partners Global Investors, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("JPMP Investors"), whose principal place of business is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA). JPMP Investors is engaged indirectly in the venture capital, private equity and leveraged buyout business as general partner of each of the Global Fund Entities. As general partner of each of the Fund Entities, JPMP Investors may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by the Global Fund Entities.

The general partner of each of JPMP Master Fund and JPMP Investors is JPMP Capital Corp., a New York corporation (hereinafter referred to as "JPMP Capital Corp."), whose principal business office is located at the same address as JPMP (BHCA), and is also engaged directly and indirectly (through affiliates) in the venture capital, private equity and leveraged buyout business. Set forth in Schedule A hereto and incorporated herein by reference are the names, business addresses, principal occupations and employments of each executive officer and director of JPMP Capital Corp. As the general partner of each of JPMP Master Fund and JPMP Investors, JPMP Capital Corp. may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by JPMP (BHCA) and the Global Fund Entities.

JPMP Capital Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of JPMorgan Chase & Co., a Delaware corporation (hereinafter referred to as "JPMorgan Chase") which is engaged (primarily through subsidiaries) in the commercial banking business with its principal office located at 270 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017. Set forth in Schedule B hereto and incorporated herein by reference are the names, business addresses, principal occupations and employments of each

executive officer and director of JPMorgan Chase.

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EXHIBIT 2(b)

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned acknowledge and agree that the foregoing statement on Schedule 13G is filed on behalf of each of the undersigned and that all subsequent amendments to this statement on Schedule 13G shall be filed on behalf of each of the undersigned without the necessity of filing additional joint acquisition statements. The undersigned acknowledge that each shall be responsible for the timely filing of such amendments, and for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning him or it contained therein, but shall not be responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning the other, except to the extent that he or it knows or has reason to believe that such information is accurate.

Dated this 12th day of February, 2010.

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS (BHCA),

L.P.

By: JPMP Master Fund

Manager, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS GLOBAL INVESTORS, L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

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By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS GLOBAL INVESTORS (CAYMAN), L.P.

By: JPMP Global

Investors, L.P., its general partner

By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

its general partner

By: /c/ John C. Wilmot

Name: John C. Wilmot Title: Managing Director

J.P. MORGAN PARTNERS GLOBAL INVESTORS (CAYMAN) II, L.P.

By: JPMP Global

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By: JPMP Capital Corp.,

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SCHEDULE 13G

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SCHEDULE A

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Managing Director Joseph S. Bonocore*

Managing Director Ana Capella Gomez-Acebo*

Managing Director

Managing Director and Treasurer

David Alexander*

Like F. Gricher*

Executive Director

John F. Geisler*

Vice President

William T. Williams Jr*

Vice President and Assistant General Counsel

Judah Shechter*

Vice President and Assistant General Counsel Elizabeth De Guzman*

Directors (1)
Ina R. Drew*
John C. Wilmot*

(1) Each of whom is a United States citizen except for Ana Capella Gomez-Acebo, who is a citizen of Spain.

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SCHEDULE B

JPMORGAN CHASE & CO.

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