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Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 4)*

Spirit Finance Corporation

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

848568309

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2006

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
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Farallon Capital Partners, L.P.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (See Instructions)
(a) []
(b) [X]**

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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

California

5 SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF -0-

6 SHARED VOTING POWER
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 2,509,100

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
EACH -0-

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
2,509,100

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,509,100

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

[]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

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2.3%

 12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)
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 Farallon Capital Institutional Partners, L.P.

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 California

 5 SOLE VOTING POWER
 NUMBER OF -0-

6 SHARED VOTING POWER
 SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 2,134,600

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
 EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH -0-

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
 2,134,600

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
 2,134,600

 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

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10 CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions) []

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
2.0%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)
PN

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California

		5	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF			-0-
SHARES		6	SHARED VOTING POWER
BENEFICIALLY			184,700
OWNED BY		7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
EACH			-0-
REPORTING		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
PERSON WITH			184,700

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AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9
184,700

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

[]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
0.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)
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Delaware

5 SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF -0-

6 SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY 201,800

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
EACH REPORTING -0-

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PERSON WITH -----
 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
 8
 201,800

 9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
 201,800

 10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES
 CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions) []

 11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
 0.2%

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 New York

 5 SOLE VOTING POWER
 NUMBER OF -0-

 6 SHARED VOTING POWER
 SHARES BENEFICIALLY

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OWNED BY 96,000

EACH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING -0-
PERSON WITH -----
8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
96,000

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
96,000

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions) []

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
0.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)
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Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

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	5	-0-
NUMBER OF		
=====		
SHARES		SHARED VOTING POWER
BENEFICIALLY	6	5,126,200
OWNED BY		
=====		
EACH		SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	7	-0-
REPORTING		
PERSON WITH		SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
	8	5,126,200
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9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
	5,126,200	
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10	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)	
	[]	
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11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)	
	4.8%	
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12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)	
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	Chun R. Ding	
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United States

		SOLE VOTING POWER
5	NUMBER OF	-0-
	SHARES	
6	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	SHARED VOTING POWER
	EACH	5,126,200
7	REPORTING PERSON WITH	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		-0-
8		SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		5,126,200

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
5,126,200

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions) []

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
4.8%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)
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William F. Duhamel

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United States

	5	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF		-0-
	6	SHARED VOTING POWER
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH		5,126,200
	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING PERSON WITH		-0-
	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		5,126,200

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

5,126,200

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

[]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

4.8%

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Charles E. Ellwein [See Preliminary Note]

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United States

SOLE VOTING POWER

5

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY

6

SHARED VOTING POWER

-0-

EACH

7

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING
PERSON WITH

-0-

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8

-0-

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9

-0-

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11

0.0%

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Richard B. Fried

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United States

SOLE VOTING POWER

5

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY

6

SHARED VOTING POWER

5,126,200

EACH

7

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING
PERSON WITH

-0-

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8

5,126,200

9

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

5,126,200

10

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CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

[]

11

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

4.8%

12

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Monica R. Landry

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United States

	5	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF	-0-	
SHARES		6 SHARED VOTING POWER
BENEFICIALLY	5,126,200	
OWNED BY		7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
EACH	-0-	
REPORTING		8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
PERSON WITH	5,126,200	

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

5,126,200

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions) []

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

4.8%

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William F. Mellin

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United States

		5	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF			-0-
		6	SHARED VOTING POWER
SHARES			5,126,200
BENEFICIALLY			
OWNED BY		7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
EACH			-0-
REPORTING		8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
PERSON WITH			5,126,200

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

5,126,200

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

[]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

4.8%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)

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Stephen L. Millham

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4 United States

5 SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF 5 -0-

6 SHARED VOTING POWER
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH 6 5,126,200

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING PERSON WITH 7 -0-
8 5,126,200

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
5,126,200

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions) []

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Jason E. Moment

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(b) [X]**

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United States

SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

5

-0-

SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY

6

SHARED VOTING POWER

5,126,200

EACH

7

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING PERSON WITH

-0-

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8

5,126,200

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9

5,126,200

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

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 11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
 4.8%

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 Rajiv A. Patel

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 United States

	5	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF		-0-
SHARES		-----
BENEFICIALLY	6	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY		5,126,200
EACH		-----
REPORTING	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
PERSON WITH		-0-

	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		5,126,200

 9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

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5,126,200

10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions) []

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 4.8%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions) IN

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) Derek C. Schrier

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (See Instructions) (a) [] (b) [X]**

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5 SOLE VOTING POWER NUMBER OF SHARES -0- BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH 6 SHARED VOTING POWER 5,126,200 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER -0- SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

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5,126,200

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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

5,126,200

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10 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES
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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

4.8%

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Thomas F. Steyer

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SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 5,126,200

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	EACH	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	7	-0-
	REPORTING PERSON WITH	-----
	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		5,126,200
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
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Mark C. Wehrly

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SHARES		SHARED VOTING POWER
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	6	5,126,200
	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		-0-
	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		5,126,200
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
	5,126,200	
10	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)	
	[]	
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)	
	4.8%	
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)	
	IN	

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This Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13G amends the Schedule 13G initially filed on December 29, 2004 (collectively, with all amendments thereto, the "Schedule 13G").

Preliminary Note: This Schedule 13G reports that effective as of April 3, 2006, Charles E. Ellwein resigned as a managing member of Farallon Partners, L.L.C. and Farallon Capital Management, L.L.C., and Mr. Ellwein may therefore no longer be deemed a beneficial owner of the Company's securities reported herein.

Item 1. Issuer

(a) Name of Issuer:

Spirit Finance Corporation (the "Company")

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

14631 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 200, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254

Item 2. Identity And Background

Title Of Class Of Securities And CUSIP Number (Item 2(d) and (e))

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This statement relates to shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Shares"), of the Company. The CUSIP number of the Shares is 848568309.

Name Of Persons Filing, Address Of Principal Business Office And

Citizenship (Item 2(a), (b) and (c))

This statement is filed by the entities and persons listed below, all of whom together are referred to herein as the "Reporting Persons."

The Farallon Funds

- (i) Farallon Capital Partners, L.P., a California limited partnership ("FCP"), with respect to the Shares held by it;
- (ii) Farallon Capital Institutional Partners, L.P., a California limited partnership ("FCIP"), with respect to the Shares held by it;
- (iii) Farallon Capital Institutional Partners II, L.P., a California limited partnership ("FCIP II"), with respect to the Shares held by it;
- (iv) Farallon Capital Institutional Partners III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("FCIP III"), with respect to the Shares held by it; and

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- (v) Tincum Partners, L.P., a New York limited partnership ("Tincum"), with respect to the Shares held by it.

FCP, FCIP, FCIP II, FCIP III and Tincum are together referred to herein as the "Farallon Funds."

The Farallon General Partner

- (vi) Farallon Partners, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company which is the general partner of each of the Farallon Funds (the "Farallon General Partner"), with respect to the Shares held by each of the Farallon Funds.

The Farallon Managing Members

- (vii) The following persons who are, or solely with respect to Charles E. Ellwein were, managing members of the Farallon General Partner, with respect to the Shares held by the Farallon Funds: Chun R. Ding ("Ding"), William F. Duhamel ("Duhamel"), Charles E. Ellwein ("Ellwein"), Richard B. Fried ("Fried"), Monica R.

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Landry ("Landry"), William F. Mellin ("Mellin"), Stephen L. Millham ("Millham"), Jason E. Moment ("Moment"), Rajiv A. Patel ("Patel"), Derek C. Schrier ("Schrier"), Thomas F. Steyer ("Steyer") and Mark C. Wehrly ("Wehrly").

Ding, Duhamel, Ellwein, Fried, Landry, Mellin, Millham, Moment, Patel, Schrier, Steyer and Wehrly are together referred to herein as the "Farallon Individual Reporting Persons."

The citizenship of each of the Farallon Funds and the Farallon General Partner is set forth above. Each of the Farallon Individual Reporting Persons is a citizen of the United States. The address of the principal business office of each of the Reporting Persons is c/o Farallon Capital Management, L.L.C., One Maritime Plaza, Suite 1325, San Francisco, California 94111.

Item 3. If This Statement Is Filed Pursuant To Sections 240.13d-1(b) or -----
240.13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether The Person Filing Is An Entity -----
Specified In (a) - (j):

Not Applicable.

If This Statement Is Filed Pursuant To Section 240.13d-1(c), Check This -----
Box. [X]

Item 4. Ownership

The information required by Items 4(a) - (c) and set forth in Rows 5 through 11 of the cover page for each Reporting Person hereto is incorporated herein by reference for each such Reporting Person.

The Shares reported hereby for the Farallon Funds are owned directly by the Farallon Funds. The Farallon General Partner, as general partner to the Farallon Funds, may be deemed

to be the beneficial owner of all such Shares owned by the Farallon Funds. Other than Ellwein, the Farallon Individual Reporting Persons, as managing members of the Farallon General Partner with the power to exercise investment discretion, may each be deemed to be the beneficial owner of all such Shares owned by the Farallon Funds. Each of the Farallon General Partner and the Farallon Individual Reporting Persons hereby disclaims any beneficial ownership of any such Shares.

Item 5. Ownership Of Five Percent Or Less Of A Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the Reporting Persons have ceased to be the deemed beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [X].

Item 6. Ownership Of More Than Five Percent On Behalf Of Another Person

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Not Applicable.

Item 7. Identification And Classification Of The Subsidiary Which Acquired The

Security Being Reported On By The Parent Holding Company

Not Applicable.

Item 8. Identification And Classification Of Members Of The Group

The Reporting Persons are filing this Schedule 13G pursuant to Section 240.13d-1(c). Consistent with Item 2 of the cover page for each Reporting Person above, the Reporting Persons neither disclaim nor affirm the existence of a group among them.

Item 9. Notice Of Dissolution Of Group

Not Applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURES

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

Dated: February 8, 2007

/s/ Monica R. Landry

FARALLON PARTNERS, L.L.C.,
On its own behalf and
as the General Partner of
FARALLON CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P.,
FARALLON CAPITAL INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS, L.P.,
FARALLON CAPITAL INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS II, L.P.,
FARALLON CAPITAL INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS III, L.P.,
and TINICUM PARTNERS, L.P.
By Monica R. Landry,
Managing Member

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/s/ Monica R. Landry

Monica R. Landry, individually and as attorney-in-fact for each of Chun R. Ding, William F. Duhamel, Charles E. Ellwein, Richard B. Fried, William F. Mellin, Stephen L. Millham, Jason E. Moment, Rajiv A. Patel, Derek C. Schrier, Thomas F. Steyer and Mark C. Wehrly

The Powers of Attorney, each executed by Duhamel, Fried, Mellin, Millham, Steyer and Wehrly authorizing Landry to sign and file this Schedule 13G on each person's behalf, which were filed with Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 16, 2003, by such Reporting Persons with respect to the Common Stock of New World Restaurant Group, Inc., are hereby incorporated by reference. The Powers of Attorney executed by Ding and Schrier authorizing Landry to sign and file this Schedule 13G on each person's behalf, which were filed with Amendment No. 1 to the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 2, 2003, by such Reporting Person with respect to the Common Stock of Salix Pharmaceuticals, Ltd., are hereby incorporated by reference. The Powers of Attorney executed by Ellwein and Patel authorizing Landry to sign and file this Schedule 13G on each person's behalf, which were filed with Amendment No. 4 to the Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 8, 2004 by such Reporting Person with respect to the Common Stock of Catalytica Energy Systems, Inc., are hereby incorporated by reference. The Power of Attorney executed by Moment authorizing Landry to sign and file this Schedule 13G on his behalf, which was filed with the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 9, 2006, by such Reporting Person with respect to the Common Stock of Vintage Petroleum, Inc., is hereby incorporated by reference.