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Bank First forms partnership with Legacy Private Trust Company

MANITOWOC (OB: FMWC) – Bank First is pleased to announce they have formed a new strategic partnership with Legacy Private Trust Company, headquartered in Neenah, WI. This partnership will greatly enhance the trust, asset management and estate planning services of Bank First.

“Bank First chose to partner with Legacy due to their highly experienced and knowledgeable professional staff and a proven record of exceptional trust services for its clients,” states Mike Molepske, President and CEO at Bank First. “We believe this partnership is in the best interest our existing and future fiduciary customers. By partnering with Legacy Private Trust Company, our clients will have greater access to comprehensive solutions for their unique situation.”

Legacy is an independent, closely held trust company operating with a bank charter that was established in 2004 by the State of Wisconsin. Legacy was formed by several senior trust and investment professionals from two large regional trust companies and a national private investment management firm who joined together with a vision and quest to establish their own independent trust company bank to provide high quality and personalized trust and investment services to discerning individuals and families. The company has since grown to be among the most preferred trust, investment management and wealth advisory firms in north central Wisconsin. Legacy manages over \$450 million in trust assets with a staff of 23 professionals that collectively possesses more than 350 years of trust administrative experience.

Legacy will assume responsibility for all trust and investment management accounts of the Bank on November 1, 2011. Paul Callan, Vice President of Wealth Management at Bank First, will be employed by Legacy and will continue to service Bank First customers as in the past.

First Manitowoc Bancorp, Inc. provides financial services through its sole subsidiary, Bank First, a national banking association incorporated in 1894. The Bank is an independent community bank with 13 banking locations in Manitowoc, Brown, Sheboygan and Winnebago counties. The Bank has grown through both acquisitions and de novo branch expansion. The Bank offers loan, deposit, investment advisory and trust products at each of its banking offices. Insurance products are available through Ansay & Associates, LLC. Trust, investment advisory and other financial services are offered through the Bank First's Wealth Management Group. The Bank is a co-owner of a data processing subsidiary, United Financial Services, Inc., which provides data services to nearly 50 Wisconsin banks. The Bank employs approximately 170 full time equivalent staff and has assets of \$847 million as of June 30, 2011. Further information about First Manitowoc Bancorp, Inc. and Bank First is available at www.BankFirstNational.com.