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CORPORATE UNITED EXPERIENCES 16 PERCENT GROWTH IN 2009

Twenty-five companies join the nation's largest group purchasing organization to realize the savings and resource flexibility of the world's largest virtual enterprise.

CLEVELAND — January 28, 2010 — Corporate United, the nation's largest group purchasing organization, announces significant growth in 2009. The company added 25 new members, marking the fourth consecutive year that more than 20 companies have joined the organization.

Corporate United experienced over 16 percent growth in membership in 2009, adding new member companies from industries including: chemicals, dental equipment, distribution, energy, financial services, insurance, manufacturing, metals and mining, restaurants, retail, telecommunications, trucking, distribution and utilities.

“Despite the economic challenges presented in 2009, our membership reached all time highs, exceeding more than 150 member companies,” says Corporate United President Marc Rosen. “The strength of our value proposition is perhaps even more relevant in the face of the economic downturn, as our member companies have the ability to achieve significant bottom-line results through reduced spend, improved efficiencies and increased supplier control.”

Corporate United engages member companies from every industry sector to provide sourcing, procurement, and supplier and contract management support across a variety of

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leveraged agreements, ranging from office and industrial supplies to pharmacy benefits and managed staffing.

About Corporate United

Corporate United is the nation's largest group purchasing organization, serving the world's leading companies across every industry sector with sourcing, contract management and networking solutions. Corporate United's more than 150 member companies collaborate for the purposes of enhancing their spend management efforts, sharing best practices and interacting with an unrivaled network of professionals.

For more than a decade, Corporate United has provided its membership with unique solutions to more effectively manage indirect spend across their enterprise. By combining leveraged agreements with ongoing supplier development and implementation support, member organizations realize savings and resource flexibility.

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