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**CORPORATE UNITED EXPERIENCES 20 PERCENT GROWTH IN 2008**

*Twenty-nine Global 2000 companies join the nation's largest group purchasing organization to realize the savings and resource flexibility of the world's largest virtual enterprise.*

CLEVELAND — February 13, 2009 — Corporate United, the nation's largest group purchasing organization, announces significant growth in 2008, adding 29 new members and increasing its personnel by 24 percent, marking the third consecutive year more than 20 companies have joined the organization.

**Membership Growth**

Corporate United experienced more than 20 percent growth in membership in 2008, adding 29 Global 2000 companies from industries including: automotive, construction, insurance, chemicals, diversified manufacturing, retail, agriculture, metals and mining, medical equipment, utilities, telecommunications, transportation services, construction, healthcare, business services, education and industrial supplies.

**Personnel Growth**

In addition to new members, Corporate United also increased its personnel by 24 percent in 2008, expanding their operations, commercial, and marketing capacity, as well as opening a new office in Chicago.

“In 2008, our membership reached all time highs, exceeding \$500 billion in aggregated revenue and more than 140 member companies,” says Corporate United President Marc

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Rosen. “The strength of our value proposition is evident in both the numbers and diversity of the members we are attracting to Corporate United.”

Corporate United engages member companies from every industry sector to provide sourcing and supplier management support across a variety of leveraged agreements, ranging from office and industrial supplies to pharmacy benefits and managed staffing.

### **About Corporate United**

Corporate United is the nation’s leading group purchasing organization, with more than 100 Global 2000 companies across every industry sector collaborating 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. For more information, contact our headquarters at 440.895.0938 or visit [www.corporateunited.com](http://www.corporateunited.com).

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