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PricewaterhouseCoopers Recognized as a Leader in Information Security and IT Risk Consulting

Independent research firm's evaluation of information security and IT risk consulting providers finds PwC a leader because of superior understanding of business requirements coupled with deep technical skills

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (PwC) has been named a leader in the March, 2009 "The Forrester Wave™: Information Security And IT Risk Consulting, Q1 2009" report by Forrester Research. PricewaterhouseCoopers was among the select organizations that Forrester invited to participate in the report, which provides an independent assessment of the IT security and risk management services marketplace.

"Information security and risk management are critical components of any organization's efforts to not only mitigate risk, but to reduce costs and improve performance," said Gary Loveland, PwC principal and information security practice leader. "We're seeing a renewed focus on the importance of effective security and risk strategies at client organizations, and we are continuing to grow and develop our practice to help our clients solve their most pressing security and risk related issues."

According to the report, "PwC has one of the largest information security and risk practices globally. The firm has a long history of innovations in this space and continues to be a significant presence with pragmatic solutions. PwC is ideally suited for organizations that want to view IT risk from practical and holistic views and take them from assessment through to implementation. PwC's strength is to connect these capabilities, based on its vast expertise in this space."

"In the current economic environment, identifying, managing and exploiting risk across an organization has become increasingly important to the success and longevity of any business," said Joe Atkinson, PwC principal and leader of the governance, risk and compliance practice. "We're talking with our clients

today about taking a pragmatic, practical approach to risk -- one that will take their risk appetite and tolerance into account and will help steer them toward measurable, lasting success in today's ever-changing, global business environment."

The report also stated, "PwC differentiates itself by offering its clients a globally consistent service through its network of firms around the world, its partnerships across geographies, and its capacity to work with clients who have operations in all areas around the globe."

To learn more about PwC's information security and risk consulting capabilities, visit www.pwc.com/security or www.pwc.com/risk.

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