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AH&T and NASDAQ Partner to Serve Public Companies

Leesburg, VA (January 29, 2007) – Today AH&T Insurance and Carpenter Moore, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. announced an exclusive alliance that will help public companies in the Mid-Atlantic region address their risk management needs and ensure that their assets, executives, and boards are adequately insured.

This partnership brings together AH&T’s deep expertise as one of the nation’s largest independent insurance brokers with the tremendous resources of Carpenter Moore, including a proprietary library of data, benchmarking and coverage statistics on public companies. Through this alliance, AH&T Insurance is the exclusive insurance broker in the Mid Atlantic region with access to these insurance resources.

“Traditional insurance strategies are failing to keep up with the complex liabilities today’s companies are facing. Comprehensive solutions that look at wording, limit levels and allocation, corporate governance and claims management are necessary to avoid unexpected unfunded liability,” commented Keith Martinsen, executive vice president for management liability, insurance advisory and brokerage at Carpenter Moore, “AH&T’s knowledge and capabilities in these areas are among the best in the industry and we look forward to working with them.”

David Schaefer, AH&T principal and leader of their management liability practice added, “We understand that every client’s circumstances are unique and, therefore we endeavor to provide attentive, independent, tailored consulting and professional insurance broking services to each one. Carpenter Moore shares our approach and together we are a most powerful, effective partner for public companies in this region. The alliance has created a real paradigm shift in what public companies can expect to receive from a D&O broker.”

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AH&T is a regional leader in the placement of insurance for companies going public with a list that includes UUNET, webMethods, BlackBoard, and Deltek Systems. AH&T represents a large portfolio of public companies, their management and boards that rely on the experience and expertise of the management liability practice group to deliver effective, efficient insurance solutions for the complex exposures they face.

The AH&T – Carpenter Moore alliance will focus on providing professional insurance and risk management services to publicly traded companies in the areas of directors and officers liability, professional errors and omissions liability, employment practices liability and related management liability coverage, such as merger and acquisition and loss mitigation coverages.

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AH&T Insurance is an insurance brokerage, risk management, employee benefits, surety bond and retirement planning services organization dedicated to providing innovative solutions globally for business and individuals. For the last 3 years AH&T has been ranked the number one directors & officers liability insurance broker in the East and as a top-10 broker in the nation for over a decade. For more information about AH&T, visit www.ahtins.com or call (800) 648-4807.

Carpenter Moore is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. and provides Executive Liability Products and Risk Management Services to publicly traded companies. Using a highly data-centric and methodical approach, Carpenter Moore is a top-10 provider of executive liability services, counting over 340 public companies internationally, including 14 of the NASDAQ-100, as clients.