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IGAF WORLDWIDE WELCOMES THE MATTHEWS GROUP AS ITS NEWEST MEMBER FIRM IN CANADA

ATLANTA, GEORGIA— May 24, 2008 – IGAF Worldwide is pleased to announce that The Matthews Group is the newest independent member firm to join the IGAF Worldwide North American Region.

Founded in 1986 and headquartered in Calgary, Alberta, The Matthews Group's three partners and eight staff provide a range of boutique accounting and consulting services to clients, with a specific focus on privately owned companies.

Specific areas of strength for the firm include compliance, CFO services, business improvement, wealth accumulation strategies, family wealth and income distribution planning, long term tax planning, reorganizations and trusts, business purchase and sales, and succession planning. Additionally, The Matthews Group offers extensive knowledge to clients of a number of industries, including oil & gas, advertising, agriculture (ranching and farming), staffing services, and professional and service businesses. For more information about The Matthews Group, visit the firm's Web site at www.matthewsgrp.com.

"We are pleased to welcome The Matthews Group to membership in IGAF Worldwide," says Kevin Mead, IGAF Worldwide Executive Director. "Their membership expands the range of services that IGAF Worldwide's independent member firms can provide to clients with needs in central Canada, an area increasingly of interest and importance for global businesses. Everyone connected with IGAF Worldwide will reap immediate benefits from the knowledge and expertise that The Matthews Group can share about Alberta and the companies and industries that do business in central Canada."

IGAF Worldwide is the strongest association of independent accounting firms in the world, comprised of over 150 highly successful public accounting firms in 60 countries. Founded in 1977, IGAF Worldwide provides its independent member firms with tools and resources to help them furnish superior accounting, auditing, and management services to clients around the globe. Through IGAF Worldwide, our independent member firms offer the strength and capabilities of a large, worldwide organization with technical depth and geographic reach impossible for a local firm alone.

For more information about IGAF Worldwide and the services it offers its member firms and their clients, visit the IGAF Worldwide Web site at www.igafworldwide.org.

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