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Southern California CPA Firm Receives National Award Six Years Running

Los Angeles based Certified Public Accounting firm, Holthouse Carlin & Van Trigt LLP (“HCVT”), received one of the most prestigious awards given in the public accounting industry. HCVT received a “Best of the Best” award for an unprecedented sixth straight year, and was, once again named as a “Fastest-Growing Best of the Best Firms” in the United States by INSIDE Public Accounting (IPA), a national trade publication. Over 350 CPA firms throughout the country are evaluated in over 50 categories to determine the 25 best accounting firms. HCVT was also identified by IPA as receiving a cumulative score that ranked them as one of the Top 5 firms within this very prestigious group. The most impressive aspect of this year’s award is the fact that only one other firm has received the award for six consecutive years. Furthermore, HCVT was the only Southern California firm making the list.

HCVT is a full-service CPA firm established in 1991 and, in its 20 years, has grown to 27 partners and a total professional and administrative staff of over 250. With \$63.7 million of annual revenues in calendar 2010, HCVT is ranked as the largest CPA firm headquartered in Southern California and the 43rd¹ largest firm in the U.S.

Managing Partner, Phil Holthouse, attributes HCVT’s continuing success to a “focus on client service, training, quality control and ongoing improvement through best practices.” Long Beach Partner, Blake Christian, adds “the ability of our partners and staff to proactively and effectively respond to the needs of our diverse client base, in a wide variety of industries, in a very hands-on and customized way, differentiates HCVT from both the Big 4 and other CPA firms.”

HCVT’s unique structure of seven Southern California offices offers clients, employees, and other professional service providers the opportunity to work together with maximum geographic flexibility. Holthouse observes that: “Our multi-office business model allows HCVT to attract and retain top-quality clients, partners and staff throughout the Southern California region, while delivering high-value tax, accounting and consulting services to a wide variety of industries and high-net-worth individuals.”

HCVT also has a number of specialty services including Business Management/Multi-Family Office Services focused on entertainment and high net-worth family operations, 401(k)/Qualified Plan Audits, Incentive Tax Credits and a rapidly expanding International Tax Practice, headed by

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Orange County Tax Partner, Curt Giles. The deep technical skills and years of experience HCVT's partner group has allows them to effectively service clients operating in the vast majority of countries and industries.

Most of the HCVT Partners have extensive Big 4 experience and are active in their business, alumni and home communities, and enjoy providing growth opportunities for their clients, staff and students.

With double digit revenue growth in 2011, and the ability to attract larger local, national and international clients with expanding accounting and tax needs, HCVT is well positioned for continued successful growth and hiring.

The firm provides accounting, attest, tax, merger and acquisition, business management and financial consulting services to large, owner-managed businesses, high-net-worth individuals, estates, trusts and qualified retirement plans. HCVT has seven offices in Southern California for the convenience of their clients and employees. Office locations include: Camarillo, Encino, Long Beach, Orange County, Pasadena, West Los Angeles and Westlake Village.

HCVT is also an independent firm associated with the North American region of Moore Stephens, an international association with more than 360 independent accounting and consulting firms throughout the United States and the World. Moore Stephens global reach of associated firms provides HCVT clients access to a wide range of specialists, yet local enough to deliver a high level of personal service.

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