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Westchester Associates Joins Growing List of Chairmen's RoundTable Sponsors

- Powerful partnership will benefit local companies -

San Diego, CA – March 7, 2004– The Chairmen's RoundTable (CRT), a non-profit volunteer organization that provides business advice and mentorship free of charge, today announced that Westchester Associates, a provider of strategic advisory and M&A services dedicated to helping owners and CEOs of small and mid-sized companies primarily in the technology sectors, has joined CRT's growing list of sponsors.

"The Chairmen's RoundTable and Westchester Associates are really on the same mission," said Kevin O'Neill, principal of Westchester Associates. "We both help companies who are at a critical juncture in their growth. Whether the plan calls for an expansion strategy or an exit strategy, Westchester Associates has the expertise to guide them through it. The CRT's executive mentorship program is a perfect complement to our advisory services."

"Westchester Associates really understands the value that we can bring to their clients and how we fit strategically into their process," said Tom Dorosewicz, Chairman of the Chairmen's RoundTable. "After signing on as a sponsor, they immediately started bringing clients into the CRT program. We see this as a powerful partnership and look forward to working with Westchester Associates to assist their client companies achieve their objectives."

In recent weeks, the CRT also announced that Fish & Richardson, P.C. and San Diego National Bank signed on as sponsors.

About Chairmen's RoundTable

The Chairmen's RoundTable is a non-profit volunteer organization comprised of 30+ current and former Chief Executive Officers with extensive board of director experience and diverse industry backgrounds. They provide businesses in San Diego County priceless business advice and mentorship free of charge, as a way of giving back to the community. CRT's well-defined mentoring program is ideal for companies at a strategic crossroads that are looking to gain an outside perspective on key business issues. To date, more than 125 local companies have benefited from CRT's mentorship. For more information and to read about past client successes, please visit www.chairmensroundtable.com.

About Westchester Associates

The principals at Westchester Associates have over 100 years combined experience in operating businesses. They have assisted in more than 50 M&A transactions, created international and domestic licensing strategies, and played lead roles in business turn-around situations. The company has a proven strength in US-European business having successfully introduced companies to new revenue opportunities and M&A opportunities on both continents. Please visit www.westchesterusa.com for more information.

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