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Tour de Force: Top 10 Canadian Accounting Firm Joins TIAG

Addition of Mallette Puts TIAG's North American Expansion Strategy on Target with Second Top 100 firm in Two Months.

St. Petersburg, Florida (September 19, 2013) – Leading Canadian accounting firm, Mallette has announced its membership in the international alliance of accounting firms known as TIAG® (The International Accounting Group). Mallette, which employs more than 700 people in 23 offices throughout Quebec Province, joins an alliance of more than 110 independent accounting firms from around the world, and gains unparalleled access to TIAG's sister alliance of independent law firms, TAGLaw®.

TIAG's addition of Mallette is another significant development in the alliance's North American expansion strategy. To assist in the implementation of this strategy, TIAG engaged top industry consultant, Allan D. Koltin, CEO of Koltin Consulting Group. Late last month, Koltin advised Berdon LLP, a U.S. Top 50 accounting firm in New York, on their decision to join the rapidly expanding alliance, and is in active discussions with other top U.S. firms.

"This is a very important step for the future of our firm and clients," said Serge Lemieux, General Managing Partner of Mallette. "In the global economy in which we live, our clients need the highest quality financial and legal guidance throughout the world at a fair price. TIAG gives us the relationships and confidence we need to continue serving our clients effectively."

"Mallette's reputation throughout Quebec and Canada is one of the many reasons we were attracted to them," said Robert Sattin, President of the TAG Alliances. "We are excited Mallette is joining The TAG Alliances™ and for the added impetus their membership gives to our North American expansion strategy."

Representatives from Mallette will attend the upcoming TAG Alliances International Conference in Munich, Germany on October 21-23. At the conference, Mallette will be formally introduced to TIAG and TAGLaw members from around the world.

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About TIAG & The TAG Alliances

The TAG Alliances comprise three groups: TIAG (The International Accounting Group), TAGLaw and TAG-SP. TIAG is an international alliance of high quality, independent accounting firms. TAGLaw, is a similar alliance of independent law firms, and TAG-SP is a complementary association of strategic business partners. Collectively, the TAG Alliances provide accounting, legal, financial and business support services on a worldwide scale. With approximately 14,000 professionals in over 260 member firms, and 500 offices in over 90 countries, The TAG Alliances serve tens of thousands of clients from all industry and commercial sectors.

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About Mallette LLP

Mallette gathers more than 700 employees working in various business sectors and located in more than 23 offices in several regions of Quebec, Canada. Our mission consists in offering our people a stimulating environment convenient to their self-fulfillment, training them so that they are efficient and dedicated to our customer's success. Our people share with our client's financial and strategic expertise offering them innovative solutions well adapted to their immediate and future needs. Our employees' training, professionalism and skills make them top-rated advisers.

Mallette being a French-speaking organization in North America, its presence in the TIAG alliance gives a unique pathway to Europeans who want to feel a little like home in this part of the world. Mallette LLP is accredited with the Canadian Public Accountability Board endorsing its mission to contribute to public confidence in the integrity of financial reporting of reporting issuers in Canada by effective regulation and promoting quality, independent auditing.

Mallette offers services grouped in five categories:

- Audit and Assurance: audit of financial statements, due diligence, business risk management and internal controls
- Tax: sales taxes, cross-border, international and domestic tax, corporate reorganization, individual taxation and tax credits
- Accounting Advisory Services: corporate finance, financial forecasts, strategic planning, performance indicators, forensic accounting and human resources management
- Actuarial Services: analysis of needs for group insurance schemes, analysis of needs and implementation of pension plans among which the individual pension plans
- Credit Counselors Trustees: trustees helping clients whatever their financial situation, whether they are an individual or a business facing financial distress

Mallette's vision: Being the pride of its partners, the inspiration of its resources, the reference of its clientele and the leader of the community. For more information about Mallette, visit www.mallette.ca.

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