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**Accenture Joins with CedarCrestone and Oracle to Accelerate
Enhancement of Oracle's Public Sector Pension Solution**

RESTON, Virginia; April 15, 2010 – Accenture and CedarCrestone, leading providers of implementation services to both the commercial and public sectors, and Oracle will be collaborating on the enhancement of Oracle's Public Sector Pension Solution to better meet the needs of the United States federal, state and local public sector marketplace around pension plan management. Leveraging the strength of Oracle's breadth of product offerings, and the experiences of Accenture and CedarCrestone, the three organizations are working together and making incremental investments to extend the existing solution.

Public sector retirement plans are unique when compared to most private sector plans. Public Sector organizations primarily use defined benefit plans, meaning the government employer promises a specified monthly benefit upon retirement based on employees' earnings history, service tenure and age, rather than depending on investment returns. Due to the long-term existence of these plans and participation by multiple employers, these defined benefits plans are typically complex with regards to benefit eligibility and determination and are subjected to a myriad of complicated business processes and rule permutations.

Accenture, CedarCrestone and Oracle are working together to provide enhancements that specifically support the challenges faced by the public sector. The software enhancements are aimed at enabling government entities with more easily managed participant-centric pension plans. Potential targeted improvement areas include end-to-end business processes, such as service purchasing as well as overall improvements in rule configuration and reporting.

Oracle is uniquely positioned as a major vendor offering an off-the-shelf pension software solution. The broader Oracle solution set includes Oracle Customer Relationship Management (CRM), Oracle Content Management, Oracle Governance, Risk and Compliance (GRC) and industry leading technology capabilities. These offerings can provide organizations with a single vendor for their entire pension solution.

"We are very pleased that Accenture has joined forces with Oracle and CedarCrestone to better meet the distinctive needs of public sector organizations," said Kevin Curry, Application Sales Group vice president, Oracle Public Sector. "Working together, we hope to help enable government entities to more easily manage participant-centric pension plans."

Accenture, a Global Oracle PartnerNetwork Platinum Partner, provides a wide range of experience in multiple Oracle products and leading industry knowledge in creating an enhanced pension solution. Accenture has one of the largest Oracle enterprise solutions

practices among full-service integrators, with more than 48,700 Oracle-skilled professionals and more than 4,900 Oracle projects completed or underway.

“Accenture is pleased to join these world-class companies to help create the next-generation pensions solution,” said David McCurley, Accenture’s global managing director for human services. “By combining the resources of Accenture, with the world’s largest global pension practice, the pragmatic experience of CedarCrestone and a proven platform represented by Oracle’s pension assets, we can provide our clients with a solution that addresses the challenges they face. This effort continues Accenture’s investment in an integrated Oracle-based social services suite, and in bringing these solutions to our clients around the world.”

About Accenture

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About CedarCrestone

As an Oracle PartnerNetwork Platinum Partner, CedarCrestone has staff with required qualifications and experience, based on multiple public sector pension implementations, which can be dedicated to deliver a leading pension administration solution. These resources not only have Oracle-specific experience but include industry veterans in both the public and commercial retirement sector.

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