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Prime Associates Announces Availability of Money Service Businesses List

Clark, NJ, April 13, 2005 – Prime Associates, Inc., a Metavante company and a leading provider of regulatory compliance solutions for financial institutions, has announced the availability of a new data list: the Money Service Businesses (MSB) List.

MSBs are firms that specialize in wire transfers and check cashing transactions. In addition to current sanctioned and non-sanctioned party data from around the world, Prime now offers a database of all national MSBs. Using this information would enable financial institutions to identify MSBs that are customers or prospective customers. Once MSBs have been identified, a financial institution must assess and manage their level of risk and deal with such customers accordingly.

“In addition to offering premium compliance software components, Prime is recognized as a superior provider of data services and sanctioned party lists within the compliance industry,” said Salvatore Cangialosi, president, Prime Associates. “Prime’s data lists will enhance current sanctions filtering efforts and integrate seamlessly with all compliance applications.”

With certain exceptions, MSBs are required to register with the U.S. Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) if they provide one or more of the following services: money orders, check cashing, travelers' checks, currency dealing or exchange, and money transmission. Prime’s MSB List includes all money service businesses that have registered with FinCEN. Continued Cangialosi, “Due to the nature of their business, MSBs require more scrutiny and special attention. It is up to banks conducting financial dealings with such entities to ‘know their customers’ and identify any potential suspicious activity that may take place.”

“MSBs provide a valuable service within the financial industry. However, the nature of their transactions can represent a heightened risk that should be appropriately addressed by any bank servicing MSBs. Prime’s latest database offering make this task significantly easier for our banking customers,” said Cangialosi.

About Prime Associates, Inc.

Prime Associates, Inc., a Metavante company, is a leading international provider of software, data, and services that address the regulatory and compliance mandate of financial institutions. Prime provides a complete suite of state-of-the-art solutions for compliance with the USA PATRIOT Act, AML, SAR & CTR reporting, Know Your Customer & Customer Identification Programs, Politically & Financially Exposed Persons, OFAC, FinCEN 314a reporting, and other regulations to the financial community. Prime’s four areas of expertise: software; database subscriptions; consulting services, which include implementation, risk-based analysis, and regulatory consulting; and hosted solutions in an ASP environment have been implemented in some of the largest financial institutions around the world. Prime’s continuous growth is a result of



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our broad range of regulatory compliance solutions to the financial services industry, which includes banks, broker dealers, and insurance companies. Our goal is to supply those companies with all of the necessary tools to meet regulatory requirements and implement effective AML programs. For more information, see www.primeassociates.com and www.primeiq.com. Metavante Corporation (www.metavante.com) delivers banking and payment technologies to financial services firms and businesses worldwide and is the financial technology subsidiary of Marshall & Ilsley Corporation (NYSE:MI).

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