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LOS ANGELES – June 7, 2010 – Mobile and web-based programs, document storage and knowledge management technologies were among the products honored at the **7th Annual Tax and Accounting Technology Innovation Awards**, which were presented June 7 at the California Accounting and Business Show & Conference in Los Angeles.

The Awards honor new and emerging technologies that have the potential for a significant positive impact on the profession and in the day-to-day work of tax and accounting professionals. Recipients for 2010 are AccountantsWorld for Accounting Relief; CCH, a Wolters Kluwer business, for KnowledgeConnect; Thomson

Reuters for its Practice CS Staff Management Module; SmartVault, Inc. for SmartVault v3; and SurePayroll

for Mobile Payroll. Two additional products were given Honorable Mention recognition:

The AvaTax with AvaCert system from Avalara; and CCH's ProSystem fx Document SaaS.

Winners are selected by *The CPA Technology Advisor's* editorial advisory board and awards committee, which include accounting and tax professionals

from across the country who are engaged in public practice in firms ranging from sole practitioners to major, multi-office regional practices. The publication, along with its digital content and interactive media, is the leading independent source of technology information for tax professionals and practicing public accountants.

There are no subcategories for the awards, but there are trends that appear

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within practices and in the continuing movement toward SaaS-model professional programs." The software-as-a-service model has been shown to reduce the IT needs of professional firms, while also offering increased mobility and scalability. Likewise, several new technologies have led to changes in workflow processes, including the initial movement toward a paperless office. Root notes, however, that optimizing how a professional practice performs requires a much broader view.

"Over the past decade or so, we've continued on from the paperless movement to a point where workflow optimization is the key, and this includes all aspects of how practices operate, collaborate internally and with clients, and even how they interact with outside partners, vendors and service provider," noted Root. "It requires a monumental re-thinking of how a practice can function most productively and efficiently, and it is being led by technology and business-savvy professionals who have spent their careers teaching clients and other tax and accounting professionals how to work smarter, more efficiently and more profitably."

Business Media's technology portfolio, is an independent information source for practicing public accountants and tax professionals, dedicated to providing them with the knowledge they need to make informed decisions regarding implementing various technologies in their practices. Through in-depth reviews and comparisons of technology products and services, topical features and regular columns from respected thought leaders in the profession, webcasts, podcasts and other digital and print media services, The CPA Technology Advisor helps practicing public accountants and tax professionals explore, purchase

and implement new technologies efficiently and productively. The magazine's

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