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Tax & Accounting Experts to Speak at Telestrategies Conference

Experts on Sales & Use Tax and Property Tax Address Telecommunications Providers

Carrollton, Texas, April 24, 2008 – Tax regulations continue to challenge the communications industry with complex handling of landline and wireless telephones, data, Internet, and television, as well as prepaid calling and bundled plans. Corporate tax experts Peter Hladek, Douglas Mo, and Jeffrey Cohen from the Tax & Accounting business of Thomson Reuters, formerly Thomson Tax & Accounting, will explain how to ease the complexity of the telecommunications taxation system during their upcoming panel discussions on sales & use and property taxes at the 2008 Telestrategies Communications Taxation conference in Boston.

According to Brian Peccarelli, president of Corporate Software & Services within the Tax & Accounting business, “It gets even more interesting when you factor in taxes for networks, interstate services, sale for resale, tangible and intangible assets, property, and more, all while managing risk and efficiently complying with changing regulations.”

In the pre-conference session *Understanding Communications Taxation* on June 2, Hladek, managing director of Thomson Property Tax Services, will provide insight into the fundamentals of property tax assessments and appeals as a primer to attending *Increased Property Taxes through the Expansion of Central Assessment* on June 4. During this panel regarding central assessment and previously tax-exempt intangibles, Mo, principal of Thomson Property Tax Services, will discuss the ramifications of central assessment on the tax liabilities of telecommunications companies.

During the *Tax Compliance and Productivity Software Vendor Roundtable* on June 4, Cohen, director of Workflow Solutions for Sales & Use Tax, will share best practices related to sales & use tax compliance, while discussing data integration, the tax return preparation process, and everything in between. “Whether maintaining the process in-house or outsourcing the entire process to experts, automated sales & use tax solutions reduce time spent while increasing accuracy and compliance,” said Cohen.

Peter Hladek is managing director for Thomson Property Tax Services at the Tax & Accounting business of Thomson Reuters. He has more than 25 years experience in valuation of telecommunication, utility, and manufacturing companies. Hladek is a frequent speaker on property tax topics and has published articles on valuation, tax auditing, and property tax issues. He holds a Bachelor of Science from California State University and a Master of Business Administration from Golden Gate University.



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Douglas Mo is principal of Thomson Property Tax Services at the Tax & Accounting business of Thomson Reuters and has more than 25 years experience in the tax and law industries. He is a regular speaker at associations and industry conferences, has published articles and books, as well as court decisions on property tax and telecommunications tax topics. Mo holds a Juris Doctorate and a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Michigan, and is a member of the California Bar.

Jeffrey Cohen is director of Workflow Solutions for Sales & Use Tax at the Tax & Accounting business of Thomson Reuters. He has more than 15 years of general business, accounting, finance, and tax experience, with nearly 10 years experience in sales & use tax. Cohen's expertise is in automation and systems implementation for sales & use tax compliance. He is a Certified Public Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting and a Masters of Tax from the University of Alabama.

To learn more about the Telestrategies conference, visit <http://www.telestrategies.com>. For information on Tax & Accounting offerings for Sales & Use Tax, visit <http://www.salesanduse.thomson.com> or call 800-865-5257. For information on Property Tax Services, visit <http://propertytax.thomson.com>.

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