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THE MCHENRY GROUP PARTNERS WITH MPI FOR ANALYTIC REPORTING TOOL

Research and Reporting Tool to be Introduced at CFDD Advisor Conference in Chicago, October 3-5

Emeryville, CA. (September 27, 2006) – **PlanTools, LLC** has partnered with Markov Processes International ("MPI") to introduce a customized version of MPI Stylus.web, MPI's online research and reporting tool. The PlanTools™ / MPI Stylus.web tool enables advisors to quickly and easily generate fund fact sheets and detailed fund analyses.

With PlanTools™-hosted templates available through the Web service center, advisors can print comprehensive reports in as little as five quick clicks. Advisors need only to specify the desired mutual funds (or portfolio), general asset class category, benchmark, peer group and time period to generate comprehensive analysis and corresponding reports.

"The PlanTools™ / MPI Stylus.web tool combines powerful analytics with great value and convenience," said Ward Harris, CEO of PlanTools. "This offering serves our broader mission: to enable advisors and institutions to better serve existing clients and generate new clients with high-quality, scalable solutions."

Michael Markov, CEO of MPI, added, "Our partnership with PlanTools™ enables us to provide retirement plan advisors with sophisticated research and report capabilities with minimal time and expense investment."

The PlanTools™ / MPI Stylus.web features include:

Ease of Use

- Generate impressive reports in a matter of minutes
- Access the application from any location over the Web
- No installation required - simply log-on
- No maintenance required: all software, data and report updates are done for you

Research and Analysis

- Analyze investment products and/or portfolios across a full spectrum of returns-based analytics: style, performance and efficiency
- Choose from our library of available analysis tasks: analyze one fund, compare two funds, compare current vs. proposed portfolios, etc.

Reporting

- Choose from our library of available fact sheets and report templates
- Produce reports as Adobe Acrobat or PowerPoint files

Data

- Comes standard with monthly Standard & Poor's or Morningstar mutual fund data
- Includes popular peer groups and benchmark indices

The PlanTools™ / MPI Stylus.web tool will be officially launched at the **Center for Due Diligence (CFDD) Advisor Conference** in Chicago at the Fairmont Hotel on October 3-5. The two and one-half day interactive program was designed by a network of retirement specialists and includes 44 breakout sessions, additional keynote speakers and insightful wraparound activities.

The McHenry Group and its partners will be hosting two pre-conference wrap events on October 2 to help advisors be more successful.

McHenry Wrap Event #1

2pm to 3:30pm Fairmont Hotel

"BUILDING PROFITABLE HIGH NET WORTH BUSINESS IN A RETIREMENT PROCESS"

Special Guests:

Dennis Clark, Advisor Partners

Linda Lubbitz, The Lubitz Financial Group

McHenry Wrap Event #2

3:45pm to 5:15pm Fairmont Hotel

"VALUE–ADDED FIDUCIARY SUPPORT SERVICES FOR ADVISORS"

Special Guests:

Rich Malconian, Lipper

Michael Markov, MPI

Bob Padgett, Klein Decisions

The McHenry Group and its distribution partners will also host a kick-off bash on the evening of October 2 at the Fairmont. These include Lipper, **MPI, 401(k) Direct, Security Benefit Group, Klein Decisions, The Retirement Analyst and IPS Advisor Pro**.

To join in the wrap-around events and kick-off party festivities, please RSVP with Kris Klein at kris.klein@mchenrygroup.com.

For more information about the conference, visit www.401kduediligence.com/CFDDconference2006.asp.The conference sold-out early last year and over 1,000 retirement specialists will attend the 2006 conference.

For a background article on fiduciary practices authored by McHenry staff from the **Journal of The American Society of Pension Professionals & Actuaries** (ASPPA), visit www.mchenrygroup.com/ASPPA.pdf.

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About PlanTools™

The **PlanTools™ Risk Management System** helps retirement plan advisors and consultants to provide fiduciary services to retirement plans and other investors which are subject to regulatory requirements for the assessment and documentation of client needs, constraints and objectives. The outsourced analytic and reporting services provided by PlanTools™ also deliver on-going standards-based performance reporting to ensure appropriate monitoring of client portfolios tied to investment policies. The PlanTools™ platform provides fiduciary reporting for over 3,000 retirement plans supported by the system's licensed users. For more information, visit www.plantools.com.

About MPI

Markov Processes International, LLC (MPI) leads the industry in developing superior investment research and reporting solutions. MPI's software applications and customized consulting services are used by the world's finest financial services organizations to improve data integration, investment research, reporting and distribution of content. For more information about MPI's products or services contact 908-608-1558 or sales@markovprocesses.com.

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