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**CARIS & COMPANY APPOINTS
CURTIS A. SHAUGER AS SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT:
TECHNOLOGY EQUITY RESEARCH**

Del Mar, CA September 8, 2008 – Caris & Company announced today the appointment of Curtis A. Shauger as Senior Vice President: Technology Equity Research – Enterprise Software. Mr. Shauger will be based out of the investment bank’s San Francisco offices.

“Curtis brings a tremendous amount of experience to Caris & Company, having been a leading Software Analyst for 10 years on both the sell and buy-side,” said Darren Caris, Chairman and CEO. “Our goal is to collate Wall Street’s top thinkers into a collaborative environment where our clients can leverage the deep domain expertise of each of our analysts, and the team as a whole. Curtis’ formidable background will ensure that we continue to help our clients generate alpha.” Mr. Caris added that this hire would augment the firm’s commitment to become Wall Street’s top research oriented boutique investment bank, and enhance the Company’s research effort.

Curtis Shauger is a Senior Vice President in the Equity Research Department at Caris & Company, where he covers enterprise software. He joins Caris from aAd Capital where he was responsible for covering all technology, media and telecom. Prior to aAd, Mr. Shauger was the lead analyst covering software and IT services at Seasons Capital in San Francisco. Prior sell-side experience includes CIBC World Markets, where he was the lead infrastructure software analyst and Banc of America Securities where he was an associate analyst covering security and telecom software.

Mr. Shauger graduated from the University of Southern California, with a Masters in Business Administration, and San Diego State University with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with an emphasis in Finance. Mr. Shauger is also a Chartered Financial Analyst.

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Established in 2002, Caris & Company is a full service investment bank that services Wall Street's institutional investment community by providing differentiated, collaborative, alpha generating ideas. Headquartered in Del Mar, CA, Caris & Company has offices in New York, San Francisco, and Boston. The firm's research product includes coverage in the following areas: Generic and Specialty Pharm and Large Cap Pharm, Medical Devices, Medical Diagnostics, Healthcare IT, Semiconductors, Semi-Cap Equipment, Storage, Refining, Coal, Personal Care/Household Products, Toys, Media & Entertainment, Home Furnishings, Specialty Retail, and Action Sports Retailers.

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