

## **ICR Partners with Russian-based Presidium Communications to Extend IR Services to Russia**

**WESTPORT, Conn., September 15, 2009** – ICR, a leading U.S.-based strategic financial communications consulting firm, announced today that it has signed a partnership agreement with Presidium Communications (“Presidium”), a consulting agency based in Moscow, Russia. Under the terms of the agreement, the two firms will partner to provide global investor relations services for Russian companies that are public or seeking to list on a stock exchange.

John Mills, Senior Managing Director of ICR, said, “We are very pleased to partner with Presidium Communications, one of the first agencies to successfully establish and define investor communications in Russia. This agreement provides us with the opportunity to offer high-level IR services to Russian companies who need professional assistance in accessing capital markets and creating awareness among investors. Teaming up with Presidium will enable us to better learn the dynamics of the European financial markets and build long-term value for our clients in that part of the world.”

Maria Erokhova, General Director of Presidium Communications, commented, “ICR is recognized for its expertise in emerging markets and has earned a strong reputation in the global investment community. As demand for investor relations services in Russia continues to rapidly grow, we believe our partnership with ICR puts both of our agencies in a good position to capitalize on the market opportunities. We look forward to a long-term and mutually beneficial relationship.”

### **About ICR**

ICR is a leading financial communications firm specializing in investor relations, corporate communications and digital media. Established in 1998, ICR represents more than 200, primarily publicly-listed companies and maintains offices in Westport, Conn., New York, Los Angeles, Boston and Beijing. ICR is one of the industry’s fastest growing consultancies and is consistently listed among the nation’s top independent communications consulting firms. For more information about ICR, please visit the company's website, [www.icrinc.com](http://www.icrinc.com).

### **About Presidium Communications**

Founded in 2006 in Moscow, Presidium Communications is a leading Russian consulting agency providing investor relations, public relations and government relations services to publicly traded and private companies in Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). For further information about Presidium, please visit the company's website, [www.presidiumcom.ru](http://www.presidiumcom.ru).

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