IR Global Rankings Announces Winners in the Asia/Pacific Region for Its 2007 Edition

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 /PRNewswire/ -- MZ Consult NY LLC (http://www.mz-ir.com), a leading investor relations and financial communications firm, jointly with IR Global Rankings sponsors KPMG Independent Auditors, Linklaters and JP Morgan (ADR Group), announces the winners for the 2007 Investor Relations Global Rankings (http://www.irglobalrankings.com) in the Asia/Pacific region. The 9th annual edition of IR Global Rankings had 145 registrants from 33 countries.

The best IR websites by technical criteria were: Infosys Technologies (Nasdaq: INFY), also the best in the global industry; China Telecom Corporation (NYSE: CHA); Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (NYSE: ANZ); Ninetowns Internet Technology Group (Nasdaq: NINE); and MTR Corporation. Global Sources (Nasdaq: GSOL) was awarded the best IR website in the small/mid cap category. The best website by direct vote (investors and analysts) was Kotak Mahindra Bank (NSE: KOTAKBANK.NS) and the best online annual report was that of BlueScope Steel (Australian: BSL).

Companies with the best corporate governance practices by technical criteria were: Satyam Computer Services (NYSE: SAY); Grasim Industries (NSE: GRASIM.NS), also best in the global industry; CLP Holdings (HKSE: 0002.HK); Hysan Development (OTC: HYSNY); Wipro Limited (NYSE: WIT) and MTR Corporation. In the Small/Mid Cap Category the winner was PT Antam.

Finally, the best financial disclosure procedures by technical criteria were: Philippine Long Distance Telephone (NYSE: PHI); Chunghwa Telecom (NYSE: CHT); Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation; Satyam Computer Services (NYSE: SAY), also best in the global industry; Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (NYSE: ANZ); Global Sources (Nasdaq: GSOL); and China Telecom Corporation (NYSE: CHA).

The IR Workshops (best practices and trends for IR websites, corporate governance and financial disclosure procedures) and the Award Ceremonies for North America, Europe and Africa will be held at the following venues and dates:

- New York, February 20 at 12:00 pm (NY time), address: JPMorgan – 270 Park Avenue, 49th floor - NY 10017, USA;
- Frankfurt, February 23 at 12:00 pm (Frankfurt), address: Linklaters - Mainzer Landstrasse 16 - 60325 - Frankfurt am Main, Germany;
- Johannesburg, February 27 at 8:00 am (Johannesburg time) address: Sandton Convention Centre - Maude Street Sandown 2196 - Sandton 2146, South Africa

IR professionals can confirm their presence by sending an e-mail to irgr@mz-ir.com. The events are free of charge, but confirmation of reservations will depend on seat availability.