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HrGOV 2007 Brings Government HR Challenges to the Table for Discussion & Solutions

Morgantown, WV September 19 2007 - The fourth Annual HrGOV 2007 Strategic Intelligence Council Meeting, held Sept 16 – 18 2007 at the Lakeview Resort and Spa in Morgantown WV, was once again hailed by delegates as a smashing success in fostering an intimate networking and educational environment for senior government HR and learning executives. Focusing on critical HR/Learning issues such as performance management, telework, strategic human capital management, succession planning, telework, and leadership, this year's HRCI approved curriculum provided an outstanding forum for information exchange and inter-agency collaboration.

Arleas Upton Kea Director, Division of Administration, FDIC summarized in her keynote address what most attendees cite as the reason they find HrGOV to be a unique format unlike any other, "One of the things that I always look forward to at HrGOV is that they really make a point to *converge* a group of experts in a small group environment while also bringing in the top technology providers that we will be working with. This really gives government an opportunity to get into the challenges that we are working on". With other highly respected speakers such as Mary Lacey, Program Executive Officer, National Security Personnel System, DoD and Norm Enger former Director, Lines of Business, OPM HrGOV delegates were engaged in interactive discussion formats and group strategy meetings allowing for collaboration among the government's senior HR executives. Norm Enger said "people don't want to waste time. All the companies now have a defined marketplace for HR with a coherent structure."

Several HrGOV awards were voted on by attending delegates. The Most Dynamic Speaker award went to Dr. Stan Boddie, PMP, Professor of Systems Management, Information Resource Management College, NDU and the Most Innovative Speaker was awarded to Mary Lacey. "I am very pleased to see these talented speakers recognized for their contribution to HrGOV" said Kelly Yocum, CEO ConVurge. "The message they delivered was right on-point and relayed the very purpose everyone had come together to discuss such critical issues."

The Best in Class Solution Provider award went to Ninth House. "Ninth House it thrilled to be recognized as the Best in Class Solution Provider for two years running" notes Ninth House Federal Division Vice President, James Sharpe "Our participation at this year's HrGOV was time well spent. We really appreciated the opportunity to demonstrate how Ninth House leadership development solutions can help effect sustained behavioral change for Government leaders, and were pleased to share some of the custom programs we've built for other Government entities with the conference participants."

The most Cutting-Edge Solution Provider was awarded to WebEx. "We are honored to be recognized by this prestigious group of public sector leaders," said Gary Griffiths, president, products and operations, Cisco WebEx. "This is a great step forward for on-demand applications and web-based collaboration within the federal market." In addition to winning the award, WebEx provided the ability for government executives to attend HRGOV remotely via their Teleconference program. Five presentations were broadcast live to remote users across the country allowing them to ask live questions which the speakers were able to answer.

About HRGOV www.HrGOV.info:

The HRGOV Strategic Intelligence Council Meeting brings together senior federal HR, Learning, Training, and Leadership executives for a series of presentations, interactive discussions, and live demonstrations all aimed at increasing interagency collaboration and idea sharing. In addition, the meeting involves a select group of cutting edge solution providers that government delegates strategize with in order to find real solutions to their most pressing business needs.

About ConVurge:

ConVurge is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) dedicated to supporting strategic, technological, and business relationships between the public and private sectors. Our executive meetings foster an environment where senior government officials learn about today's leading technologies while meeting in strategy sessions among their peers. Features of ConVurge meetings include:

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