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Gage Telephone Systems Receives Unified Communication Industry's Top Award

*Technology Assurance Group
Recognizes Gage Telephone Systems
as the Elite Provider at its 2009
National Convention*

Baton Rouge, LA — April 27, 2009 — Gage Telephone Systems, a leading unified communications provider, announced today that the company received one of Technology Assurance Group's top awards at the association's 2009 National Convention held in San Diego in March. Technology Assurance Group (TAG), an international organization of independently owned unified communications companies in the United States and Canada, selected Gage Telephone Systems as the winner of the "Excellence in Sales Performance Award" for exceptional economic performance and superior customer satisfaction. Gage Telephone Systems was highlighted as a premier provider during a prestigious awards ceremony attended by TAG's Member companies and leading technology manufacturers.

The highly sought after awards, which are given out annually, are based on overall financial performance, customer satisfaction, and the ability to provide customers with cost effective unified communication solutions. "In 2008, Gage Telephone Systems experienced phenomenal growth that propelled them past the best companies in the industry," said Dale Johnson, president of Technology Assurance Group. "Gage Telephone Systems's philosophy of providing technology solutions that increase their customers' profitability, improve employee productivity, and enhance brand image

fueled the company's overall success. In addition to offering solutions with the purpose of accomplishing their customers' business objectives, they maintain a highly talented team of professionals that deliver world class service. Gage Telephone Systems is an exceptional Member that is dedicated to acquiring better business practices that continually improve their organization. It was our privilege to showcase such a fine company at our convention."

Greg Wood, vice president of Gage Telephone Systems, accepted the award for the company. "We have worked extremely hard over the years to build a great company with a solid reputation in our community and it was a wonderful feeling to be recognized by TAG. Gage Telephone Systems's customer centric focus as well as our ability to stay on the pulse of technology have enabled us to become our customers' trusted advisor. We attribute much of our success to the many benefits that we receive from our Membership in TAG. The organization enables us to quickly adopt new ways of doing business for the betterment of our customers and our people."

Gage Telephone Systems offers businesses a variety of unified communication solutions including managed services, telephone systems, local/long distance service, Internet connectivity, web conferencing, teleconferencing, call accounting, and Voice over IP (VoIP).

ABOUT GAGE TELEPHONE SYSTEMS

GAGE Telephone Systems, Inc. was established in 1980 by Gregory A.

Wood, Sr. The company's original mission continues today, which is to provide the finest telecommunications products and services that enable its clients to increase their profitability, obtain a competitive advantage, and improve employee productivity. GAGE Telephone Systems has served the Baton Rouge and South Louisiana business community for over a quarter-century through a culture of striving towards excellence and unparalleled commitment to customer service.

GAGE Telephone Systems helps companies of all sizes simplify their technology decisions with straight answers about everything from business telephone systems and computer networking to VoIP and voicemail services. The company conducts a complete needs analysis to ensure that each customer implements the right technology to meet their needs now and into the future.

GAGE Telephone Systems has built a strong team of highly experienced and industry certified voice and data specialists. These individuals proactively assist customers through high level support and strive to exceed their expectations on a daily basis. The team is backed by a fleet of state-of-the-art service vehicles ready to respond to customer calls 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. GAGE Telephone Systems has distinguished itself from the competition by becoming one of the region's leading telecommunications companies.

For more information on GAGE Telephone Systems please call (225) 753-4243 or visit <http://www.GAGetelephone.com>.

**ABOUT TECHNOLOGY
ASSURANCE GROUP (TAG)**

Technology Assurance Group, LLC (TAG) is an international organization of leading independently owned business communications companies. TAG provides its members with the

competitive advantages necessary to achieve a dominant position in their marketplace. Members benefit from programs including strategic partnerships with communication solution providers, best business and management practices, and advanced sales training programs. TAG's mission is to increase its

Members' sales and profits through education and to ease their introduction of new technology to the marketplace by leveraging their combined intellect and purchasing power. For more information on TAG, please call 858-673-5800 or visit www.tagnational.com.