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PCATS and W. Capra Laboratories Establish the PCATS Interoperability Laboratory and Expanded Certification Program.

ALEXANDRIA, VA - The Petroleum Convenience Alliance for Technology Standards (PCATS) announced today that it has signed a service agreement with W. Capra Laboratories, LLC (Capra) to provide technical assistance in developing conformance testing tools and to use its interoperability laboratory and services for testing PCATS standards. W. Capra Laboratories is a wholly owned subsidiary of W. Capra Consulting LLC.

Since 2003, PCATS technical committees have developed standards in a number of different areas; however, it has only been conducting XML conformance testing for POS and Back Office providers. Over the past several years a significant demand has arisen to expand the program to include conformance testing and interoperability testing for the POS/Back Office Specification, and to formalize a broader certification program for other PCATS standards that would verify and validate products' adherence to the standards and illuminate the PCATS Certification value. Based on this new arrangement, the PCATS Certification Program will be able to make stair-step improvements in the quality of products and services delivered to the convenience and petroleum marketing industry.

"We are extremely excited about embarking on this new relationship with W. Capra Laboratories," stated John Hervey, PCATS Executive Director, in making the announcement. He added, "We believe that this arrangement will greatly benefit the industry and add significantly to the value that PCATS is bringing to the retailer and supplier communities."

Patrick Raycroft, Managing Partner of W. Capra Laboratories, added, "W. Capra Laboratories is excited to have been selected by PCATS to provide the petroleum c-store industry an independent lab to validate products' adherence to the standards developed by PCATS and test interoperability. We look forward to operating a best in

class facility that will meet the certification and commercial needs of PCATS and its members for many years to come. "

During the next few months PCATS and W. Capra Laboratories will be releasing additional details regarding the expanded certification program and a prioritized schedule for the certification of additional standards. W. Capra Laboratories will be based in the Chicago land area.

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About PCATS

The Petroleum Convenience Alliance for Technology Standards (PCATS) was founded in September 2003 to continue the development and maintenance for standards work initiated under the NACS Technology Standards Project. PCATS mission is to develop, maintain and help members implement a variety of technology standards. With over 150 members, the group's membership represents more than 22,000 convenience stores. Membership is open to any petroleum marketer, convenience store owner/operator, other retail channels, or any of their suppliers or vendors. For additional information regarding PCATS, please visit www.pcats.org.

About W. Capra Laboratories

W. Capra Laboratories was launched in September of 2008 to provide a premier testing service and lab facility for the retail petroleum industry. As the selected service provider of the PCATS Certification and Interoperability Program, W. Capra Laboratories is dedicated to continuously improve the quality and interoperability of technology delivered to the industry. Additional commercial services that cover the spectrum of testing activities are also available to the industry. W. Capra Laboratories is solely owned by W. Capra Consulting Group, Inc. who has been providing retail technology and payments consulting to the Petroleum C-Store industry for over 8 years. For more information contact Patrick Raycroft or Doug Rodewald at 312-873-3300.