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Autobytel to Present at the 5th Annual Liolios Gateway Conference on September 8, 2016

IRVINE, Calif., Aug. 23, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Autobytel Inc. (NASDAQ:ABTL), a pioneer and leading provider of online automotive services connecting consumers with dealers, has been invited to present at the [2016 Liolios Gateway Conference](#) being held September 7-8, 2016 at the Four Seasons Hotel San Francisco.

Autobytel management is scheduled to present on Thursday, September 8 at 10:00 a.m. Pacific time, with one-on-one meetings held throughout the conference.

The presentation will be webcast live and available for replay at www.gateway-conference.com/presenters and via the Investor Relations section of the company's website at www.autobytel.com.

For more information about the conference or to schedule a one-on-one meeting with Autobytel management, please email gateway@liolios.com.

About the Gateway Conference

The 5th Annual Gateway Conference is an invite-only conference presented by Liolios, a comprehensive financial communications firm. Gateway was designed to bring together the most compelling companies with the nation's top institutional investors and analysts. This year's event features more than 100 companies from a number of growth industries, including technology, business and financial services, consumer, digital media, clean technology and life sciences. The format has been designed to give attendees direct access to senior management via company presentations, Q&A sessions and one-on-one meetings. For more information, visit www.gateway-conference.com or www.liolios.com.

Tax Benefit Preservation Plan

At December 31, 2015, the company had approximately \$88.2 million in available net operating loss carryforwards ("**NOLs**") for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The company's Tax Benefit Preservation Plan ("**Plan**") was adopted by the company's Board of Directors to preserve the company's NOLs and other tax attributes and thus reduce the risk of a possible change of ownership under Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code. Any such change of ownership under Section 382 would limit or eliminate the ability of the company to use its existing NOLs for federal income tax purposes. Rights issued under the Plan could be triggered upon the acquisition by any person or group of 4.9% or more of the company's outstanding common stock and could result in substantial dilution of the acquirer's percentage ownership in the company. As of August 1, 2016, there were 10,785, 097 shares of the Company's common stock outstanding. There is no guarantee that the Plan will achieve the objective of preserving the value of the company's NOLs. For more information, please visit <http://investor.autobytel.com/tax.cfm>.

About Autobytel Inc.

Autobytel Inc. provides high quality consumer leads and associated marketing services to automotive dealers and manufacturers throughout the United States. The company also provides consumers with robust and original online automotive content to help them make informed car-buying decisions. The company pioneered the automotive Internet in 1995 with its flagship website www.autobytel.com and has since helped tens of millions of automotive consumers research vehicles; connected thousands of dealers nationwide with motivated car buyers; and has helped every major automaker market its brand online.

Investors and other interested parties can receive Autobytel news alerts and special event invitations by accessing the online registration form at investor.autobytel.com/alerts.cfm.

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