CDI’s Roger H. Ballou Awarded Ellis Island Medal of Honor

Philadelphia, Pa. (May 19, 2003) – Roger H. Ballou, president and chief executive officer of CDI Corp. (NYSE: CDI), was awarded the prestigious Ellis Island Medal of Honor on May 17 in New York City.

Officially sanctioned by the United States Congress, the Ellis Island Medal of Honor ranks among this country's most prestigious awards. Former award recipients include U.S. presidents, senators, congressmen, Nobel Prize winners, and other well-known American citizens.

The Ellis Island Medal of Honor was created in 1986 to honor the many ancestral groups who through struggle, sacrifice and success, helped build this great nation. This year’s recipients, honored for their outstanding contributions to America, included men and women from all cultural and ancestral backgrounds.

Prior to joining CDI in October 2001, Ballou served as chairman and chief executive officer of Global Vacation Group and as a senior advisor to Thayer Capital Partners. He previously was vice chairman/chief marketing officer and then president and chief operating officer of Alamo Rent-a-Car. For more than 16 years prior to joining Alamo, Ballou held several executive positions with American Express, culminating in his appointment as president of the Travel Services Group. He holds a B.S. in economics from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, and an M.B.A. from the Amos Tuck School, Dartmouth College.

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