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Charting a New Course: Economic Update 2009

DENVER, Jan. 6 /PRNewswire/ -- The Rocky Mountain Chapter of the National Investor Relations Institute (NIRI) announced today that its January 13th meeting will feature a talk by Emily Stuart, Research Economist at Development Research Partners in Littleton, Colorado. She will review the economic trends of the past year and share her forecast for 2009. Find out how she anticipates the economy will react and what affect the current climate will have on various industries in the coming year.

Who: Emily Stuart, Research Economist at Development Research Partners. Ms. Stuart is an expert in the compilation and interpretation of economic and demographic data. Prior to joining Development Research Partners, Emily worked as an economist in Oregon's Workforce and Economic Research Department. In that capacity, she focused on retirement impacts, labor force participation, unemployment, and other workforce issues. She also produced employment estimates for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Current Employment Statistics program. Ms. Stuart holds a bachelor's degree in economics from Willamette University in Salem, Oregon.

What: Lunch presentation and discussion.

When: January 13, 2009 11:30 AM - Check-in Noon - 1:15 PM - Lunch and Presentation

Where: The Denver Athletic Club 1325 Glenarm Place Denver, CO 303-534-1211

Cost: NIRI Members - \$38 Non-members - \$55

Please click <http://niri.barkerdesign.com/> to register for the meeting.

For members who are unable to attend the presentation, it will be available via a link on the home page of the Chapter's Web site (www.rockyniri.org) the following day. The presentation will be captured as a rich media recording courtesy of Boulder-based Catapult PR-IR (www.catapultpr-ir.com). Just click on the link to play back automatically. All that is needed is a Windows Media Player and preferably high-speed Internet access. Please send your feedback to Terri Douglas, Catapult PR-IR at tdouglas@catapultpr-ir.com.

About NIRI and the Rocky Mountain Chapter

With more than 4,300 members in 35 chapters around the country, the National Investor Relations Institute (NIRI) sets the highest standards in education designed to advance the practice of investor relations and meet the growing professional development needs of those engaged in the field. The Rocky Mountain Chapter represents most of the major public companies in the Rocky Mountain region with a membership that includes over 100 corporate practitioners, IR consultants and IR-related service providers. The chapter holds regular monthly meetings and special events featuring experts on leading issues affecting publicly traded companies and the investor relations profession. For more information on the Rocky Mountain Chapter, please visit our Website at www.rockyniri.org.

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