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## IGAF WORLDWIDE ANNOUNCES ALLIANCE PARTNERSHIP WITH ILUMEN

**ATLANTA, GEORGIA** — April 25, 2006 — IGAF Worldwide, one of the world's oldest, largest, and most well respected associations for independent accounting firms, jointly announce a new alliance partnership with iLumen, an Atlanta, GA-based Financial Information Network that delivers private company data gathering and analysis solutions to the accounting, banking, and corporate sectors.

As a benefit of membership, IGAF Worldwide offers its 150 member firms a number of services and discounted rates with alliance partner companies around the globe. The new partnership with iLumen will offer IGAF Worldwide member firms preferred access to the proprietary iLumen Financial Information Network, which gives firms the ability to efficiently collect and analyze financial data from their private company clients. Through the partnership, clients submit financial information through a member firm-branded iLumen upload site, and both client and firm receive summary dashboards and industry benchmarking reports. By understanding client financial trends, both on an individual company and in many cases an industry level, firms will be able to identify new revenue opportunities and build better client relationships throughout the year.

"More than ever, private companies see our member firms as more than 'the guys who do the tax returns' – they want firms to be highly involved business partners at every level," said Kevin Mead, Executive Director of IGAF Worldwide. "This alliance partnership with iLumen is one of many ways that our association is taking an active role in helping member firms gather the benchmarking data they need to build deeper relationships with clients in a wide variety of industries. We look forward to introducing our member firms to this valuable new resource, and we are happy to provide yet another method of contributing to our members' strength and growth."

"IGAF members represent firms with a long tradition of leadership within the accounting profession," said Robert H. Woosley, Chief Executive Officer of iLumen. "They are looking for technology solutions to help them better meet the financial needs of their clients throughout the year. By becoming members of the iLumen Financial Information Network, they are furthering their commitment to becoming their clients' most trusted business advisors."

Detailed information about the alliance partnership, including preferred status and enrollment information, is accessible to IGAF Worldwide member firms on the IGAF Worldwide Private Web site at [www.igafworldwide.org/private/services/alliance\\_programs.asp](http://www.igafworldwide.org/private/services/alliance_programs.asp).

### About IGAF Worldwide

IGAF Worldwide is one of the world's oldest, largest, and most well respected associations for independent accounting firms, comprised of over 150 highly successful independent public accounting firms in 61 countries. Founded in 1977, IGAF Worldwide provides member firms with tools and resources to help them furnish superior accounting, auditing, and management services to clients around the globe. Through



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IGAF Worldwide, member firms offer the strength and capabilities of a large, worldwide organization with technical depth and geographic reach impossible for a local firm alone. For more information about IGAF Worldwide and the services it offers its member firms and their clients, visit the IGAF Worldwide Web site at [www.igafworldwide.org](http://www.igafworldwide.org).

## About iLumen

iLumen, Inc. is a Financial Information Network that delivers private company data gathering and analysis solutions to the banking, accounting, and corporate sectors. iLumen technologies enable a private company to transmit financial information electronically and anonymously to the iLumen Financial Network and allows the private company to view their company's updated trends, dashboards, and industry comparisons.

iLumen's services are based on a proprietary (patent pending) data warehousing engine known as iMonitor® that is compatible with all electronic accounting packages and provides secure transmission of interim and year-end financial information. For more information about iLumen, visit [www.ilumen.com](http://www.ilumen.com).

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