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Integrated Project Management Named a “Top Small Workplace” by *The Wall Street Journal* and Winning Workplaces

Burr Ridge, Ill., October 13, 2008 – Integrated Project Management Company, Inc. (IPM) today announced it is one of 15 companies nationwide named a “Top Small Workplace” by *The Wall Street Journal* and Winning Workplaces. Winners are profiled in today’s *Wall Street Journal* (www.wsj.com/smallbusiness). IPM provides project management and consulting services to a broad range of industries, including the life sciences, food and beverage, healthcare, and consumer and industrial products.

“Our people are the heart and soul of this company,” said C. Richard Panico, IPM president and CEO. “Together we create an environment of excellence, integrity, honesty, and mutual support. That high standard, in turn, is reflected by the work we perform for our clients.”

Not-for-profit Winning Workplaces teamed with *The Wall Street Journal* to identify exceptional small organizations in its second annual ranking of Top Small Workplaces. A panel of experts selected IPM as among employers that foster teamwork, flexibility, high productivity, and innovation, while treating their employees with respect, offering opportunities for professional growth, and providing benefits that strengthen employee retention. More than 780 nominations had been submitted.

IPM was cited in particular for nurturing professional development. According to Mary Corbitt Clark, executive director of Winning Workplaces, “Integrated Project Management has developed one of the most sophisticated employee-development systems that we have seen in a small organization, and it is clear that the firm understands that its competitive advantage is tied to the quality and commitment of its employees.” IPM implements a program of frequent and systematic feedback, continuous training, and concrete assistance, such as substantial tuition reimbursement, to enable employees to grow and advance in the company.

In addition to Top Small Workplaces, IPM was recently named for a second consecutive year to *Inc.* magazine’s annual list of the 5,000 fastest-growing private companies nationwide, and ranked among Chicago area’s top 100 businesses. “Our internal culture is without question a key driver of our business success,” said Mr. Panico.

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About Winning Workplaces

Founded in 2001, Winning Workplaces (www.winningworkplaces.org) is an Evanston, Ill.-based not-for-profit, whose mission is to help the leaders of small and midsize organizations create great workplaces.

About IPM

IPM provides project management services to organizations ranging from start-up ventures to Fortune 100 companies, helping them to operate more efficiently and effectively. Service areas include product development, business process improvement, and operations optimization within the life sciences, food and beverage, healthcare, and consumer and industrial product industries. Working onsite with client teams from planning through project completion, IPM helps firms tighten timelines, reduce risk and preserve resources. Founded in 1988, IPM is headquartered in Chicago, with offices in Boston, San Francisco, and St. Louis. For more information, visit www.ipmcinc.com.

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