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**IBM Recognizes Mainline for Outstanding Achievements in Business
and Technology Excellence**

TALLAHASSEE, FL – JUNE 18, 2009 – Mainline Information Systems™, an IBM premier business partner, was named winner of the award for “Outstanding Complementary Services Growth Solution” in the 2009 IBM Beacon Awards competition for delivering outstanding value and innovative approaches that help clients address unique business challenges.

The IBM Beacon Awards are an integral part of IBM’s PartnerWorld program that provides industry recognition, increased visibility and promotional opportunities to IBM global Business Partners.

“Mainline is thrilled to be recognized for excellence in the Complementary Services Growth category,” said Rick Kearney, president of Mainline. “Receiving an IBM Beacon Award is an honor that only a select few business partners are fortunate enough to achieve, and we are delighted to be acknowledged for the value that we provide to our customers.”

Mainline won the award based on the solution its Security Solutions Group provided to New Seasons Market, a small grocery food chain of nine stores in Portland, Oregon. New Seasons was concerned about their security and PCI compliancy status after learning that another grocery food chain in the Northeast had 4.2 million credit card numbers stolen, even after passing a PCI audit. An initial PCI assessment audit and additional security services were performed by IBM Global Services and Mainline. As a result, New Seasons purchased ISS GX3002 Proventia Intrusion Prevention Systems for all their stores using Siteprotector to monitor and manage their network appliances.

The IBM Beacon Awards recognize excellence in the development and delivery of solutions and services that Business Partners deliver to clients around the world. More than 340 nominations were judged by a team of leading industry journalists, analysts and IBM executives, who selected winners and finalists in 22 award categories.

“The Beacon Award is a well known and highly regarded IBM accolade that positions Mainline in the forefront of IBM’s Business Partner community,” said Kearney. “Customers are aware that this award is only bestowed upon partners who stand apart from their competitors in their ability to provide IBM solutions that result in business success.”

Mainline also received recognition as a finalist in the “Outstanding Virtualization and Consolidation Solution” and “Winning Solution with Power Systems and AIX” categories.

“IBM is dedicated to helping our global Business Partners deliver innovative solutions that enable our joint clients to transform their business operations,” said Rich Hume, general manager, IBM Global Business Partner Organization. “Mainline was recognized in Outstanding Complementary Services Growth Solution based on its technology leadership

and commitment to delivering customer value. This award is a testament to Mainline's commitment to delivering on IBM's smarter planet vision."

For more information about the IBM Beacon Awards, including descriptions of the winning entries and details about the finalists, please visit http://www-1.ibm.com/partnerworld/pwhome.nsf/weblook/2009_awards.html.

About Mainline

Mainline offers technology solutions across the entire IBM product lines, from mainframes to modular servers and storage covering solutions practices for virtualization, business continuity and security. Mainline is an IBM Premier Business Partner carrying Dynamic Infrastructure Specialty Elite certification. The company was founded in 1989 and has more than 600 employees nationwide. Headquartered at 1700 Summit Lake Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32317, Mainline provides solutions throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, Brazil and Mexico. The company may be reached by phone at 850.219.5000 and on the Internet at www.mainline.com.

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