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UtiliPoint International - Worldwide Provider of Research and Advisory Services - Joins the CIO Utilities Summit as a Media Partner

February 10, 2010— The CIO Utilities Summit, the leading Smart Grid focused event for CIOs, is pleased to welcome UtiliPoint International, the leading provider of research and advisory services for the energy sector, as a valued media partner. At the summit, J. Christopher Perdue, Senior Director, Market Research will present an agenda session. The CIO Utilities Summit will be held April 18-21, 2010 at the Phoenician Resort in Scottsdale, AZ.

UtiliPoint International has six main practice areas; Smart Grid, Energy Investments & Business Planning, CommodityPoint, Meter-to-Cash, Pricing & Demand Response, and Public & Regulatory Issues Management. UtiliPoint's unique Smart Grid practice provides unbiased market research and consulting to utilities, regulators, new and established vendors, and companies interested in entering the marketplace.

UtiliPoint's North American client base includes Duke Energy, HECO, National Grid, Progress Energy, PG&E among others. UtiliPoint clients span worldwide and include industry innovators such as AES, ATCO, Hydro One, InterGen and ICAP Energy.

"We're pleased to welcome UtiliPoint International as a media partner of the CIO Utilities Summit. UtiliPoint stands out as trusted resource of insight and services for the utilities industry and their support of the CIO Utilities Summit will be of significant value to our community of CIOs," said Ross Abbott, Event Director, CIO Utilities Summit.

The CIO Utilities Summit, to be held April 18 – 21, 2010, is an opportunity for technology executives and leaders from top energy and utilities companies to discuss recent IT trends and learn about new technology. With a strategically planned agenda the CIO Utilities Summit is quickly becoming the leading Smart Grid event for IT executives in utilities to attend in 2010. UtiliPoint International will join Smart Grid Today and Ovum as event partners. At the event, J. Christopher Perdue, Senior Director, Market Research for UtiliPoint International will present an agenda session on industry findings. More details will be released soon.

For more than 75 years, UtiliPoint International has been a trusted source of insight into the energy and utilities industry. With clients worldwide, UtiliPoint is the leading provider of research and advisory services for the



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energy sector. The company is comprised of industry experts from around the world with diverse background in utility generation, transmission and distribution, retail markets, mergers and acquisitions, new technologies, venture capital, information technology, outsourcing, renewable energy, regulatory affairs and international issues. Headquartered in Albuquerque, New Mexico, more information about UtiliPoint can be found at <http://www.utilipoint.com>

For more information about the CIO Utilities Summit, go to <http://www.cioutilitiessummit.com/>.

About CIO Utilities Summit

The SBS Division of CDM Media has a reputation for delivering strategically positioned, content- driven events to C-level clientele from Fortune 1000 organizations. With experience delivering intimate, effective business summits, CDM Media helps executives develop great business ideas and lasting relationships with their peers and colleagues. The CIO Utilities Summit will be hosted April 18-21, 2010 at the exclusive Phoenician Resort in Scottsdale, AZ. The summit gathers business leaders from the most technologically advanced and innovative companies within North America's utility industry to debate and network on critical business technology issues.

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