

HillSouth Announces Partnership with CDW Corporation

HillSouth joins CDW SolutionEdge® program to offer clients world class IT product fulfillment

FLORENCE, SC—February 5, 2006— HillSouth announced today that it has joined the CDW SolutionEdge® program, an alternative for technology product fulfillment. HillSouth will continue to provide professional technology services to its growing customer base, but will now work jointly with its customers and CDW Corporation to develop total solutions that can be delivered most efficiently.

CDW, a Fortune 500 provider of technology solutions to business, government and education recently launched the CDW SolutionEdge program to join forces and strategically align themselves with solution providers such as HillSouth. Under the agreement, HillSouth will provide their broad range of services to their customers, while CDW will offer those customers access to their world-class fulfillment capabilities and the industry's largest in-stock inventories.

"Participating in the CDW SolutionEdge program will allow us to develop our role as a solutions company – offering more turnkey technology implementations than ever before," said HillSouth president Robby Hill. "Our customers expect the most innovative technologies from HillSouth – now with our CDW partnership we are delivering an innovative business model as well. This relationship allows us to offer a superior product and services bundle for our customers through the many resources and logistical expertise of CDW. All of us at HillSouth are particularly proud to be part of the growing CDW SolutionEdge program."

This innovative partnership program capitalizes on the unique combination of strengths of CDW and its growing network of solution providers such as HillSouth. It allows each solution provider to focus on selling solutions, serving customers and building their business, while CDW does the "heavy lifting" in product inventory and fulfillment. The combination of CDW and HillSouth improves the ultimate customer experience by delivering to each customer the right technology in the fastest time frame, along with high quality professional services and support expertise.

"We are very impressed with HillSouth's commitment to providing their clients with the broadest array of technology solutions in the marketplace and at the same time an unparalleled procurement experience," said Norm Lillis, CDW Vice President of Sales – New Markets. "Together HillSouth and CDW have a more robust and truly unique offering to bring to area businesses."

The CDW SolutionEdge program is designed to deliver upon the most demanding customer requirements. CDW and HillSouth have opened the door to an exceptional experience where product, technical support, and customized interaction all meet and literally are available at the customer's fingertips. Their innovative partnership gives customers the best technology and solutions to meet their ever changing IT needs.

CDW offers a one stop source to the largest selection of brand name information technology products at competitive prices based on the leverage of CDW's volume buying power and industry relationships. CDW's state of the art distribution center delivers the right product solutions accurately and efficiently to the doorsteps of customers. Customers doing business with HillSouth as a CDW SolutionEdge partner also have access to CDW's Enterprise Configuration Center that performs custom asset tagging, imaging and hardware and software configuration so that HillSouth's onsite services can be quickly implemented.

Online CDW@work® extranets deliver a customized view to quickly create quotes, place orders and compare product manufacturers so that HillSouth's customers can view preconfigured solutions while comparing single or bundled products with one click. Customers also can view negotiated contracts in real time, receive bids and use the exclusive CDW software license tracker to simplify software tracking and compliance.

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About HillSouth

HillSouth was founded in 1999 and is headquartered in Florence, South Carolina. HillSouth works with companies to select, deploy, and support leading-edge information technology products and services. For companies large and small – HillSouth is a trusted partner for developing information technology strategy and seeing it implemented to meet the challenges ahead.

There is a particular emphasis on small business networking needs using Microsoft Small Business Server product as well as voice over IP using industry leader 3Com's hardware and software solutions. HillSouth has earned small business partner designation with HP and Microsoft, respectively. In addition to IT consulting, the company is especially adept at meeting website programming and design needs for companies in a wide variety of industries; from economic development, non-profit sector, the public utility industry, and beyond.

For additional information call 877-292-9070 or visit hillsouth.com

About CDW

CDW (NASDAQ: CDWC), ranked No. 347 on the FORTUNE 500, is a leading provider of technology solutions for business, government and education. CDW is a principal source of technology products and services from top name brands such as Adobe, APC, Apple, Cisco, HP, IBM, Lenovo, Microsoft, Sony, Symantec, Toshiba and ViewSonic.

CDW was founded in 1984 and employs approximately 4,300 coworkers. In 2005 the company generated sales of approximately \$6.3 billion. CDW's direct model offers one-on-one relationships with knowledgeable account managers; purchasing by telephone, fax, the company's award-winning CDW.com Web site, customized CDW@work@ extranets, CDWG.com Web site and macwarehouse.com Web site; custom configured solutions and same day shipping; and pre- and post-sales technical support, with approximately 120 factory-trained and A+ certified technicians on staff.

Additional information can be found by visiting CDW.com.

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