

Press Release

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PA Compliance integrates WorldCompliance information to enhance KYC offering

- **One-stop solution for identity verification and client screening**
- **Quality solution for compliance with section 312 of USA PATRIOT Act**

Lincoln, MA October, 2006 — Miami, Florida and Lincoln, Massachusetts, October 10, 2006: PA Compliance, a USA Patriot Act provider for the mutual fund, insurance, RIA, and broker dealer community today announced the partnership with WorldCompliance, a leading information provider specialized in the aggregation of information on Politically Exposed Persons (PEPs) and other due diligence information.

This alliance gives financial institutions access to a one-stop solution in today's increasingly challenging regulatory environment. As a well known solution for identity verification, PA Compliance has expanded its offering and now allows its clients to automatically detect customers that are sanctioned entities, known or suspected money launderers, fraudsters, drug traffickers or similar high risk entities. The offering also includes the screening for Politically Exposed Persons, their family members and close associates and represents a unique answer to the new requirements of section 312 USA PATRIOT Act.

PA Compliance provides a variety of flexible searching and viewing tools to further streamline customer due diligence. "In today's environment, it is essential for any financial institution to truly know their clients and streamline this due diligence process" said Lauren Heller, Director of Business Development at PA Compliance. "We looked at many data providers and partnered with WorldCompliance because of the breadth and quality of their information. We are excited about providing our customers with this world-class information," she continued.

With the final version of section 312 of the USA PATRIOT ACT recently published in January, this alliance provides a timely solution for the necessary PEP compliance. Amongst other requirements, the new regulation specifies the enhanced due diligence for financial institutions when dealing with Politically Exposed Persons. With this new regulation many smaller and mid-size institutions will have to raise their shields in order to identify PEPs within their client base. "We look forward to working with a specialized company like PA Compliance to provide a much needed solution", said Dirk Mohrmann, Chairman at WorldCompliance. "This is an important contribution to the integrity of the financial system," he continued.

About PA Compliance: PA Compliance (www.pacompliance.com), a division of *Sugarbush Solutions Inc. (SSI)*, supplies cost effective USA Patriot Act software and survey research to help professionals succeed in today's complex regulatory environment. PA Compliance's automated services provide accurate responses with robust case-management in an easy-to-use system. PA Compliance's surveys keep clients up to date with significant industry trends.

About WorldCompliance™: WorldCompliance (www.worldcompliance.com) offers a screening solution to identify Politically Exposed Persons, individuals and companies related to terrorism financing, money laundering, fraud, corruption and drug trafficking plus their family members and associates. Unmatched in quality and coverage, it contains over 600,000 detailed profiles with dates of birth, addresses, national ID numbers and even portrait photographs. Recognized as an industry innovator with unrivaled integrity, WorldCompliance is the chosen solution by many of the world's largest financial institutions.