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National City Selects Vertafore Benefits AgencyCenter To Automate Insurance Division

TAMPA, FL, February 23, 2006 – Vertafore Benefits, a leading provider of software and automation services for employee benefits brokers and agencies, announced today that National City Corporation has selected Vertafore Benefits’ powerful AgencyCenter application to help support its insurance division.

National City, one of the nation’s largest financial holding companies, sought a technology solution to further streamline and automate the marketing, implementation, policy management and renewal process operations of its fast-growing insurance division.

“We spent several months carefully evaluating a number of insurance agency software and automation services and products to help us improve our operations,” said Russ Miller, COO of National City’s Employee Benefits Agency. “Vertafore was simple to use and will help us achieve our goals.”

Launched in 2004, Vertafore Benefits AgencyCenter application offers employee benefits brokers and agencies a web-based workflow management system designed to help manage virtually every aspect of an agency’s business including sales, implementation, commission tracking, policy management and renewal processes. More than 300 agencies supporting their cumulative 300,000 clients now use AgencyCenter.

“We are very excited that National City has selected AgencyCenter to help enhance its insurance division’s operations,” said S. Stuart Spector, General Manager of Vertafore Benefits.

About National City

National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC), headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, is one of the nation's largest financial holding companies. The company operates through an extensive banking network primarily in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri and Pennsylvania, and also serves customers in selected markets nationally. Its core businesses include commercial and retail banking, mortgage financing and servicing, consumer finance and asset management. For more information about National City, visit the company's Web site at nationalcity.com.

About Vertafore Benefits

Vertafore Benefits (www.vertaforebenefits.com) is a division of Vertafore, Inc., a company with over 30 years experience in agency automation software servicing over 15,000 agencies, 120,000 end users, and 300 insurance carriers. Vertafore Benefits AgencyCenter application offers employee benefits brokers and agencies a web-based workflow management system for managing sales, implementation, commission tracking, policy management and renewal processes. The broker-centric BenefitsCenter application provides automated benefits administration solutions with portals for brokers, employers and employees.