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Agents, suppliers recognized in annual Nexion Awards

Host agency names Circle of Excellence, MillionAir winners

SOUTHLAKE, TX – Nov. 11, 2008 – Each year one of the leading North American host agencies, Nexion®, takes the time to recognize both agents and suppliers who have excelled at providing outstanding service and obtaining record sales. At the recent regional conferences this September and November, Nexion General Manager Jackie Friedman recognized 29 travel professionals and nine suppliers for outstanding contributions.

“At Nexion, we know that when we can help an agent become successful; it helps their business, our business and the travel industry at large,” said Friedman, “And when we have such outstanding relationships with our suppliers, we’d be remiss if we didn’t take time to recognize and reward their contributions to our agents’ success as well.”

At Nexion, the *Circle of Excellence* winners each year are recognized for selling at least \$750,000 in combined air, cruise and tour business with at least \$250,000 of that in leisure sales. This year, 15 of Nexion’s agents reached that goal. They are:

Kimberly Caudill
Paige Evans
Rebecca Jones
Stephen Lincoln
Carolyn McDaniel
Clay Nottrodt
Timothy Richmond
Yana Shleyner

Gretchen Smith
Jayne Smith
Jill Smith
Christy Spensberger
Janice Standal
Holly Tucker
Travis Willson

Additionally, Nexion agents who sell at least \$1 million in air travel reach the exclusive MillionAir group. The 2008 professionals in this category were:

Lisa Burton
Sandra Chertoff
William Conner
Diane Earman
Karen Ellis
Tess Eugenio
Rita Hiltner

Alexander Irmiler
Valerie Mouze
Cindy Orlinick
Jeanine Rains
Judy Rawls
Catherine Romanov
Irene Schwartz

In addition to receiving recognition within Nexion, and crystal awards, these award-winning agents are invited to attend an executive, all-expenses-paid retreat, courtesy of Travel Impressions, to Iberostar Rose Hall Suites in Jamaica, this December.

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Recognizing that their success and the success of the travel industry is built upon great partner relationships, Nexion's 2,000 plus member agents voted on the host agency's preferred suppliers to select the Members' Choice winners. The 2008 results were:

Classic Vacations – Best Reservation Agents/Customer Service
Princess Cruises – Best Agent Training
Royal Caribbean – Best Group Department
Azamara, Royal Caribbean & Celebrity Cruise Lines – Best Agent Booking Tools
Funjet Vacations – Best Consumer Promotions
Carnival Cruise Lines – Best Business Development Manager
Globus Family of Brands – Best Home Based Agent Program
Happy Vacations – Best Agent Incentive Program
Azamara, Royal Caribbean & Celebrity Cruise Lines – Best Marketing Resources

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