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**ACG Presents Alan Gelband with Lifetime Achievement Award
Don Feldmann Receives Meritorious Service Award**

CHICAGO, March 18, 2008 – The Association for Corporate Growth (ACG), the premier professional organization focused on corporate growth, corporate development, and mergers and acquisitions, has named Alan Gelband, founder of Gelband & Company, with the ACG Lifetime Achievement Award for his longstanding dedication and service to ACG. In addition, Don Feldmann was chosen for the ACG 2008 Meritorious Service Award winner. The ACG Meritorious Service Award recognizes ACG members who have contributed to the success of ACG through extraordinary achievement and service. ACG is pleased to present Mr. Gelband and Mr. Feldmann with their awards at the ACG InterGrowth® conference, April 9-11, in Orlando, FL, the world's largest conference for merger and acquisition professionals and corporate dealmakers.

Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Mr. Gelband, who founded Gelband & Company in 1975, has been an investor, analyst and investment banker since 1969. Mr. Gelband is a past president of the ACG New York chapter and also served as president of ACG globally from 1992-1993. During his term as President of ACG, Mr. Gelband was responsible for initiating the Sponsor program and stabilizing the financial structure of the organization. He has also served as a Director of ACG for the past 19 years. His passion and unwavering focus for delivering high quality programs has contributed to both the success of the New York chapter, as well as the entire ACG organization. Now an Honorary Lifetime Director, Mr. Gelband's legacy lies in the immense growth and great value provided to ACG New York and ACG members during his tenure and beyond.

Meritorious Service Award winner Mr. Feldmann, President and CEO of Winton Associates, Inc., is one of the Founders and Former President of ACG Cincinnati. Under Mr. Feldmann's dynamic leadership as ACG Cincinnati President and Board Member, the chapter has experienced tremendous growth, as well as launched a series of successful new programming, such as the Deal Maker Awards, the Fall M&A Symposium and Capital Connection, and the Annual Charity Golf Outing. While serving on the Board of Directors of ACG globally, Mr. Feldmann also led the New Chapter Development Committee, leading to the successful introduction of new ACG Chapters throughout the US and Canada.

“I’d like to congratulate Alan and Don for their tireless dedication and productive work on behalf of ACG and its members,” said Bradley Hughes, ACG Acting President. “Their passion and dedication to our organization over the last 15 - 20 years have propelled the growth and success of ACG on both local and national levels. Alan and Don’s leadership and hard work are extraordinary and have helped to reinforce ACG’s position as the leading authority on corporate growth and mergers and acquisitions.”

“These two winners are innovators, leaders, and most importantly, team players. Their efforts in building a stronger and larger ACG are commendable,” said Harris Smith, ACG Chairman, and West Region Managing Partner, Grant Thornton LLC. “A special thanks is due to Alan for his longstanding commitment and dedication to our organization.”

This is the second time the ACG Lifetime Achievement Award has been handed out. In 2005, Carl A. Wangman, President of The Center for Association Growth (TCAG), received the ACG Lifetime Achievement Award.

About ACG and ACG Cincinnati

Founded in 1954, the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) is the leading global association for professionals involved in corporate growth, corporate development, and mergers and acquisitions. Today ACG stands at nearly 12,000 members from corporations, private equity, finance, and professional service firms representing Fortune 500, Fortune 1000, FTSE 100, and mid-market companies in 53 chapters in North America and Europe. For more information about ACG or the ACG InterGrowth conference, please visit: www.acg.org.

ACG Cincinnati is a regional chapter of the international association with more than 250 members in the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana tri-state area from Dayton to Louisville. For more information on the Cincinnati chapter, visit www.acgcincinnati.org.

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