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Cognent Expands service to the Dallas/Fort Worth Area

Cognent's acquisition of Plano based Splendid Technology solidifies Cognent's entry into the Dallas Fort Worth area.

El Paso, Texas - Monday, October 31, 2005 – El Paso based Cognent, Inc. announced this morning it has agreed to acquire Plano Texas based Splendid Technology, LLC. This acquisition expands Cognent's service area from the El Paso, Cd. Juárez area to the Dallas metro community. Splendid Technology offers installation, technical support and training of computer hardware, network and software to which it will add Cognent's other service areas especially the Internet services Cognent's has become well known for.

In announcing the acquisition of Splendid Technology, Cognent's CEO, Gerry Mangrum stated, "This acquisition marks Cognent's continued strategy in aggressively seeking to expand its market service area while continuing Cognent's tradition of bringing world-class technology to all sectors of the economy." For his part, Jason Benoit, President of Splendid Technology, LLC, stated, "Cognent's established product and service repertoire allows us to offer our existing customer base a higher level of technology and processes at very affordable prices." "This merger of our two firms benefits not only our respective employees and shareholders but it also raises us to the next level in our ability to provide cost effective solutions to our respective client bases", Benoit added. Benoit has accepted the position of Vice President of Dallas Operations for Cognent, Inc. effective immediately.

Cognent, Inc. is a full-service technology outsourcing firm based in El Paso, Texas with offices in El Paso and Dallas. Cognent provides full service IT solutions to regional businesses including Internet/Intranet solutions as well as custom application development along with off-site backup and disaster recovery planning services. Cognent, Inc. also provides managed server solutions along with its signature Amitor™ human resources and customer resources management suite.

To find out more about Cognent, Inc. and our approach to customer service, visit us online at: cognent.com or call us at (915) 850-0756.

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