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CANON U.S.A. SUBSIDIARIES RECEIVE ISO 14001 CERTIFICATION

Canon Facilities in Virginia, Maryland and California Certified under Canon's Global ISO 14001 Consolidated Certification Initiative

Lake Success, N.Y., January 12, 2009 – Continuing its efforts to be an environmentally responsible and conscious company, Canon U.S.A., Inc., a leader in digital imaging solutions, today announced that its subsidiaries in Chesapeake, Virginia, Rockville, Maryland, and Irvine, California, have received ISO 14001 Certification under Canon's Global ISO 14001 Certification Initiative.

The ISO 14001 Standard is an internationally accepted specification for environmental management systems created by the International Organization for Standardization to help organizations minimize how their operations affect the environment and comply with related laws, regulations and requirements. The newly certified facilities are the homes to Canon Information Technology Services, Inc. (Chesapeake, Virginia), Canon U.S. Life Sciences, Inc. (Rockville, Maryland) and Canon Development Americas, Inc. (Irvine, California).

As part of the efforts to achieve this well-recognized certification, Canon U.S.A. has established its own Environmental Management System (EMS) to ensure that the Company's activities, products and services have minimal impact on or risk to the environment. Canon's EMS helps monitor and improve upon a number of areas that touch on the environment, such as energy efficiency, resource conservation, waste management, chemical control and toner cartridge recycling. Canon U.S.A., Inc., acquired ISO 14001 certification in 2007, and continues to work towards achieving a consolidated ISO 14001 certificate for the entire Canon group worldwide.

“Guided by our corporate philosophy of *Kyosei* – all people, regardless of race, religion, or culture, harmoniously living and working together into the future – Canon is a

company devoted to the environment and the realization of a sustainable society,” said Joe Adachi, president and chief executive officer, Canon U.S.A. “By adhering to high-performance standards, such as ISO standards, we can continuously improve our environmental assurance and performance in all business activities to have the least impact on our environment and not burden future generations.

“In addition to these newly certified facilities, we will continue to ensure all of our Canon U.S.A. facilities meet ISO standards,” added Adachi.

For more information on Canon’s environmental initiatives, please see the Canon Sustainability Report 2008 in the Environmental & Community Programs section at www.usa.canon.com.

About the International Organization for Standardization

The International Organization for Standardization is recognized as the leading developer of voluntary, consensus-based international standards for business, government and society. There are more than 16,500 current ISO standards and related documents that specify the requirements for state-of-the-art products, services, processes, materials and systems, and for good conformity assessment, managerial and organizational practice.

About Canon U.S.A., Inc.

Canon U.S.A., Inc. delivers consumer, business-to-business, and industrial imaging solutions. Its parent company, Canon Inc. (NYSE:CAJ), a top patent holder of technology, ranked third overall in the U.S. in 2007†, with global revenues of \$39.3 billion, is listed as one of Fortune's Most Admired Companies in America and is on the 2008 BusinessWeek list of "Top 100 Brands." To keep apprised of the latest news from Canon U.S.A., sign up for the Company's RSS news feed by visiting www.usa.canon.com/pressroom.

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