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**ICMA Recognizes Top Performers on
Certified Management Accountant (CMA) Exam**

Montvale, N.J., December 17, 2008 – The Institute of Certified Management Accountants (ICMA®), the certification division of IMA®, announced the leading performers on its Certified Management Accountant (CMA®) examination administered during the summer 2008 period.

Gold, silver and bronze medals, sponsored by Johnson & Johnson, were awarded to four individuals who received the highest exam scores. In addition, ICMA awarded a Certificate of Distinguished Performance to six individuals in recognition of their noteworthy exam results, as well as a Student Performance Award to the college student who attained the highest exam score.

“IMA applauds the outstanding achievement of these individuals, whose performance on the CMA exam exemplifies their commitment to the profession,” said Joseph A. Vincent, CMA, ICMA Board of Regents Chair. “These professionals hail from a variety of geographic regions and industries, reflecting the international scope of the credential and its relevance to the profession.”

Of the nearly 4,000 candidates who sat for the CMA exam during this period, the following individuals were recognized for their exceptional achievement:

- **Mr. Salvatore M. Mannino** of Chatham, N.J., employed by Johnson & Johnson, received the Johnson & Johnson Gold Medal for the highest exam score.
- **Mr. Kai Zhu** of Munich, Germany, employed by Kaltenbach & Voigt GmbH; and **Ms. Amy E. White** of Phoenix received the Johnson & Johnson Silver Medal for the second-highest exam score (tied).
- **Mr. Aleksandr E. Kushnir** of Unionville, Conn., employed by Travelers, received the Johnson & Johnson Bronze Medal for the third-highest exam score.
- Certificates of Distinguished Performance were awarded to the following individuals for their high exam scores: **Mr. Nader M. Ashoor** of Dhahran, Saudi Arabia; **Mr. Mark D. Hoerner** of Williamsville, N.Y.; **Mr. Donald T. McCormack** of Macungie, Pa.; **Mr. D. James Knopp, Jr.** of McKinney, Texas; **Mrs. Irina Apukhtina** of Moscow; and **Ms. Yi Jiang** of Shanghai, People’s Republic of China.

• **Mr. Hao Jiang** of Woodhaven, N.Y., received the Student Performance Award for the highest exam score by a college student.

About the CMA[®]

The CMA certification is a comprehensive credentialing program that assesses competency in the management accounting and financial management body of knowledge, which represents a broad range of controllership knowledge and skills. Subject matter of the four-part exam includes economics, corporate finance, cost management, internal controls, performance measurement, financial reporting, decision analysis, organization management and strategic planning, with a strong emphasis on ethics.

About IMA[®]

With a worldwide network of about 60,000 professionals, IMA is the world's leading organization dedicated to empowering accounting and finance professionals to drive business performance. IMA provides a dynamic forum for professionals to advance their careers through Certified Management Accountant (CMA[®]) certification, research, professional education, networking, and advocacy of the highest ethical and professional standards. For more information about IMA, please visit www.imanet.org.

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