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Bauman Associates, Ltd. CPAs & Advisors Announces Addition of Two New Employees

EAU CLAIRE, WI—December 20, 2004: Bauman Associates, Ltd. Certified Public Accountants & Advisors is pleased to announce the addition of two new professionals to its Eau Claire offices. Chad Ryder, CPA, joins the firm as a tax supervisor. Mr. Ryder is a graduate of University of Wisconsin Eau- Claire and a longtime resident of the Eau Claire area. Nathan Kalepp, also a University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire graduate, joins the firm as a junior staff accountant. Both will be working in the new client services headquarters located at 4229 Southtowne Drive in Eau Claire Wisconsin.

Bauman Associates was founded in 1947 as a certified public accounting firm. Since then, the firm has expanded to include offices in Eau Claire and River Falls, Wisconsin, and provides a full breadth of services to business and individuals throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota. Professional services include business consulting, technology training, human resource consulting, tax strategy, planning and preparation; accounting and auditing services; as well as estate, trust and retirement planning.

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