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Topaz International Announces Independent GDS and Online Booking Study Available

Portland, Oregon – August 15, 2005 - Topaz International, the Global Leader in Corporate Travel Solutions, announced today that travel professionals can pre-order an independent study comparing the four major GDS alternatives with four online booking options. With an expected release in October of this year, this document will prove to be a valuable tool to review the performance of each of these alternatives in a controlled environment.

During the past six months, Topaz Auditors have been replicating the actions of a typical travel agent by pricing 60 Key International Itineraries and 120 Key domestic Itineraries, using a set number of parameters. This includes Saturday night stays as well as three advance purchase options (3, 7 and 14 days in advance). The study then relied on the low fare search option with each of the GDS's to return what lowest fare was available. For each of the online options, the system was asked to return the lowest fare.

The complete study will be limited to the first 100 orders. It will also be made available on a complimentary basis to a select number of media outlets in an abbreviated form. For additional information about this informative and unique product, please contact Michele Simon at 503.254.4242

About TOPAZ International

Topaz International provides strategic support to the corporate travel management professional. With over 25 years of experience analyzing travel related expenditures, Topaz is a world leader in airfare & hotel auditing, providing benchmark information and consultancy services to improve the delivery of corporate travel services.

For more information about the complete line of travel audit products, as well as other services, please contact Michele Simon, michele.simon@etopaz.com, or call 800-888-2423.

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Topaz International is a member of the Association of Corporate Travel Executives (ACTE) and the National Business Travel Association (NBTA).

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