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2012 Aboriginal Business Hall of Fame Inductees to be Honoured on February 7, 2012

Toronto, ON – January 30, 2012 –The Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business and ESS Support Services Worldwide (a member of Compass Group Canada), are pleased to announce the 2012 inductees into the Aboriginal Business Hall of Fame (ABHF): Gregory Koostachin of Attawapiskat, Ontario, and David Tuccaro, Fort Chipewyan, Alberta. Aboriginal business leaders inducted into the ABHF are recognized for their accomplishments in achieving sustainable economic development in Aboriginal communities.

Messrs Tuccaro and Koostachin both demonstrated entrepreneurial spirit early in life, building on success and ultimately operating several businesses over the course of their careers. In addition, the inductees demonstrate a commitment to the prosperity of their communities through financial support and volunteerism. Clint Davis, President & CEO of CCAB said "Business success and commitment to community makes Dave Tuccaro and Gregory Koostachin exceptional inductees into the Aboriginal Business Hall of Fame."

The CCAB would like to recognize and thank ESS, the founding and exclusive sponsor for the Aboriginal Business Hall of Fame. 2012 marks the eighth year of the ABHF's recognition of the outstanding achievements of Aboriginal business leaders from across Canada. According to Erin Meehan, President of ESS, "Recognition of business leadership in the Aboriginal community has identified the role models that have inspired greater business activity and entrepreneurial ventures in Aboriginal communities".

The Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business' Aboriginal Business Hall of Fame Awards will be presented at the 14th Annual Toronto Gala on Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at the Four Seasons Toronto.

Video biographies of the fifteen ABHF laureates can be viewed at http://www.ccab.com/meet_the_hall_of_fame_laureates.

About ESS, A Member of Compass Group Canada:

Compass Group Canada and ESS Support Services Worldwide is the country's leading foodservice and support services company providing food and service excellence in sectors as diverse as business and industry, colleges and universities, healthcare and hospitals, sports, entertainment, leisure and cultural venues, remote camps, facilities management and vending.

About the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business (CCAB):

The Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business (CCAB) was founded in 1984 by a small group of visionary business and community leaders led by Murray Koffler, founder of Shoppers Drug Mart and co-founder of the Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts. CCAB is committed to the full participation of Aboriginal people in Canada's economy. A national non profit non partisan association, CCAB offers knowledge, resources, and programs to both mainstream and Aboriginal owned companies that foster economic opportunities for Aboriginal people and businesses across Canada.

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