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Final call for nominations for the second annual *Award of Excellence for Comptrollership in the Public Sector*

Celebrating excellence in comptrollership, accountability and financial management

OTTAWA, January 13, 2010 – The Society of Management Accountants of Canada (CMA Canada) and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) invite federal public servants to nominate colleagues and/or to self-nominate for the *Award of Excellence for Comptrollership in the Public Sector*.

The annual awards, consisting of a plaque and a \$1,000 donation to a charity or scholarship fund of the winner's choice, are conferred to federal public servants who have made "a significant contribution" to financial management and/or comptrollership within the Government of Canada.

In its second year, the *Award of Excellence for Comptrollership in the Public Sector* includes two award categories: (1) Innovation, and (2) Financial Leadership (CFO). In addition, consideration forms are being accepted for the *CMA-CIPFA Lifetime Achievement Award*, which is awarded at the discretion of the selection committee.

All nominations must be received by Friday, January 22, 2010. You may submit nominations via e-mail to nominations@comptrollershipaward.com. Please note you can only submit one nomination per award category.

The 2010 recipients will be chosen by the selection committee and announced at the award ceremony being held on Monday, May 10, 2010, at the Fairmont Château Laurier in Ottawa.

A limited number of tickets will be available for the reception, dinner and award ceremony. Online registration will be made available in February.

For more information on the awards, revised criteria and eligibility requirements, visit: www.comptrollershipaward.com.

About CMA Canada

With 50,000 members around the world, CMA Canada grants a professional designation in strategic management accounting™ and is responsible for standards-setting, accreditation and the continuing professional development of CMAs. CMAs provide an integrating perspective to business decision-making, applying a unique blend of expertise in accounting, management and strategy to identify new market opportunities, ensure corporate accountability, and help organizations maintain a long-term competitive advantage. To optimize the performance of global enterprises and build strategic management accounting skills, CMA Canada offers innovative executive development programs, advanced online courses, and internationally recognized knowledge management publications. For more information, visit www.cma-canada.org.

About CIPFA

CIPFA, the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, is the professional body for people in public finance. Our 14,000 members work throughout the public services in national audit agencies, major accountancy firms, and in other bodies where public money needs to be effectively and efficiently managed. As the world's only professional accountancy body to specialize in public services, CIPFA's portfolio of qualifications are the foundation for a career in public finance. They include the benchmark professional qualification for public sector accountants, as well as, a postgraduate diploma for people already working in leadership positions. They are taught by our in-house CIPFA Education and Training Centre as well as other places of learning around the world. We also champion high performance in public services, translating our experience and insight into clear advice and practical services. They include information and guidance, courses and conferences, property and asset management solutions, consultancy and interim people for a range of public sector clients. Globally, CIPFA shows the way in public finance by standing up for sound public financial management and good governance. We work with donors, partner governments, accountancy bodies and the public sector around the world to advance public finance and support better public services.

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