



VeriSign Completes Acquisition of GeoTrust

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA – September 5, 2006 – VeriSign, Inc., (NASDAQ: VRSN), the leading provider of intelligent infrastructure services for Internet and telecommunications networks, today announced the successful completion of its acquisition of GeoTrust, a provider of identity verification and network security solutions.

The acquisition enables GeoTrust's extensive customer base and well developed channel of more than 9,000 direct resellers in more than 140 countries to benefit from VeriSign's deep SSL Certificate heritage and global support network.

The purchase price of the acquisition is approximately \$125 million and is being accounted for as a purchase transaction. The transaction is not material to VeriSign's current Q3 financial guidance as provided on its July 20, 2006 earnings call. VeriSign expects the acquisition to be accretive to earnings per share in 2007. Additional financial information on the acquisition will be provided on the Q3 2006 earnings call.

For more information on VeriSign SSL offerings, please go to: http://www.verisign.com/products-services/security-services/ssl/index.html

About VeriSign

VeriSign, Inc. (Nasdaq: VRSN), operates intelligent infrastructure services that enable and protect billions of interactions every day across the world's voice and data networks. Additional news and information about the company is available at www.verisign.com.

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