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**”FIVE STAR WEALTH MANAGEMENT” AWARD FOR CLIENT SATISFACTION
BESTOWED ON CHARLIE MAXWELL BY *TWIN CITIES BUSINESS* MAGAZINE**

TWIN CITIES – January 10, 2008 – Meristem announced today that CEO, Charlie Maxwell, has received the “Five Star Wealth Management” award for “Best in Client Satisfaction” from *Twin Cities Business* magazine. Eligibility for the annual award is based on client nominations and 50,000 survey results examining nine different criteria in wealth management. The “Five Star Wealth Management” Awards sponsor, Crescendo Business Services, posted its 2007 winners in the highly regarded *Twin Cities Business* magazine in the January 2008 issue.

Maxwell is CEO of Meristem, a MultiFamily office. His award-winning expertise was acknowledged in the categories of:

- Charitable Giving
- Estate Planning
- Financial Planning

“Meristem clients have always known that Charlie Maxwell was one of the top providers of wealth management services in the region,” notes Jerry Johnson, president of Meristem. “The ‘Five Star Wealth Management’ Award affirms that high-touch service level and underscores the strengths and advantages of Meristem’s MultiFamily office. We congratulate Charlie on receiving this prestigious recognition.”

About Meristem

Meristem is a wealth management firm with a MultiFamily Office platform. It provides a comprehensive menu of financial services for wealthy families and individuals including; wealth management, estate and tax planning, risk management, financial planning, charitable giving and more.

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