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Press Release

Americollect, Inc. is among America's Fastest-Growing Private Companies—the Inc. 5000

For Immediate Release

Manitowoc, WI August 15, 2009. Americollect, Inc. will be included in the 2009 Inc. 5000 list of the fastest-growing private companies in America. This is considered a high honor. Past companies that made the list include Microsoft, Timberland, Vizio, Go Daddy, Oracle, and UnderArmour.



Methodology of Selection

Inc. magazine began its listing of America's fastest growing companies back in 1979. The Inc. 5000 is ranked according to percentage revenue growth from 2005 through 2008. In order to qualify for the list, companies must have been founded by 2005 and submit four full calendar years of sales. They must be U.S. based, privately owned, for profit, and can't be a subsidiary or division of another company. Revenue starting in 2005 must be at least \$200,000 and \$2,000,000 in 2008.

About Americollect's Growth

Americollect contributes its growth to several factors. Primarily it is those loyal clients that have partnered and referred Americollect for the past several years to allow their revenue to grow 617% since 1999. In 2008, Americollect recovered almost 14 million dollars for those clients. Second, Americollect's Win-Win Collections concept, creates consumer buy-in and reduces complaints. In fact, complaints about Americollect have been almost non-existent. Each year they track their complaints with the Federal Trade Commission (3 complaints in 2008) and WI Dept of Financial Institutions (3 complaints in 2008). When they checked their results from 2008, Margaret Schmelzer, Examiner for the WI DFI, said, "I wish all my agencies had that many (complaints)." President and CEO, Kenlyn Gretz encourages his collectors to treat the consumer as if they were a brother or sister. He also believes most of the consumers are good people, just going through a tough time. The Win-Win approach also delivers collection RECOVERY percentages well above the industry average. Additionally, Americollect places an extremely high level of importance on client questions and needs. They consider their customer service second to none. Dental Associates (8 clinics throughout Wisconsin) had this to say, "Americollect's strength is their ability to collect a high percentage on accounts referred to them without alienating the debtor. Their collections are way above industry average. Their fees are reasonable and their staff displays great customer service."

About Americollect, Inc.

Established in 1964, Americollect is bonded and licensed by the Department of Financial Institutions as a collection agency. Americollect strongly believes in its diversification by partnering with clients in Healthcare, Utilities, Government, Cellular, Cable, and NSF check collection. Their Vision Statement clearly communicates their goals. *At Americollect we join together in one goal: to be seen as the MOST RESPECTED COLLECTION AGENCY by our clients, consumers, and peers. We reach this goal by: Working Hard, Being Fair and Ethical, Developing Knowledgeable Employees, Reacting Timely and Anticipating Needs, and Bringing Value to Those we Encounter. Together we can.*

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