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**Travel Planners International launches new technology platform for Independent Contractors.**

Winter Park, Florida, July 6, 2006 – Travel Planners International announced today that it will begin migrating their entire host agency operation over to the new TPI-AgentRC (Agent Resource Center) technology solution. The web based platform provides TPI a true 360 degree view of their network of Independent Contractors.

A robust, enterprise level infrastructure provides a new level of support, communication and service that dramatically improves the flow of information between agency staff and TPI's Independent Contractors. "We are extremely excited about the launch of our new technology platform. It gets everyone working on the same page and also provides our Independent Contractors with the tools they need to build and manage their own business. It provides our company with a distinct competitive advantage over other host agencies." said Tony Gagliano, Jr. – Vice Pres.

TPI's Independent Contractors now have access to an integrated CRM and back office tools for managing their clients, vendors, bookings, tasks, notes, commissions and expenses.

TPI-AgentRC is also the first technology platform that is specifically designed to streamline the communications between all parties involved in the travel process. It is a role based solution that effectively connects agency staff, professional travel agents, vendors and travelers together in a community based environment. Each user is provided with a unique view of data and information that is relevant to their role.

The centerpiece of the TPI-AgentRC platform is the industry's first collaborative booking manager for travel agents. With a dramatic increase in the number of consumers researching their own travel plans online, the integrated booking manager effectively allows agents to take advantage of this trend while positioning themselves as the expert travel consultant.

Agents can create web based travel planning environments which allow multiple travelers to login at the same time and communicate with each other and the travel agent in the same workspace. As the travel agent progresses through the trip planning process, all travelers are instantly notified of all new trip proposals, comments, payments posted, web research, invoices and more. "The new collaborative booking manager will change the way our professional travel agents work with their clients." said Tony Gagliano.

**For more information or for a live demo of TPI-AgentRC, please visit our website at <http://www.TravelAgentFromHome.com>.**

**About Travel Planners International:**

Travel Planners International is a full service host travel agency, supporting independent contractors and travel agencies since 1988. TPI sells all types of travel including air, car, hotel, cruise, and tour products through its growing national sales force of travel agents/agencies. With TPI, our agents receive 75% to 100% commission, 10 hosting plans to choose from, robust agent booking and customer management platforms filled with agent booking tools, all four GDS's (Amadeus, Apollo, Sabre and Worldspan), consumer websites with content and booking engines, along with the most dedicated and caring support staff in the industry. With a reputation of being the best of the best and the experience in hosting agents since 1988, along with flexible month-to-month hosting plans, the decision to partner with TPI is clear. With TPI, new and experienced agents can concentrate on selling travel and building client loyalty without the administrative and expensive burden of owning/operating a traditional storefront travel agency. We don't compete with our agents because hosting is all we do. Our technology platform provides the next generation in front and back office automation for home based travel agents. The platform offers integrated web based tools which provide our network of agents with a distinct competitive advantage.

**Mission:** Our mission is to provide all of the tools, support and fulfillment services that will assist each of our travel agent partners to be the most knowledgeable, efficient, competitive, and profitable leisure and corporate agents in the travel industry.

**Vision:** Our vision is to be unrivaled in the travel industry by continuously developing new business relationships and opportunities  
**Values:**

*Integrity:* We are committed to honesty, loyalty, and a high standard of ethical conduct.

*Customer-Focused:* We are committed to providing the highest level of customer service. We extend this to our agents, their customers and our preferred suppliers.

*Results-Orientated:* We believe our success depends upon our leadership and management teams' abilities to focus and execute their mission on schedule.

*Teamwork:* We believe in building and maintaining long-term, professional, win-win relationships with our employees, agents, preferred suppliers and all our business partners in order to achieve mutual success.

*Excellence:* We are committed to being a high performance organization by staying focused on total customer satisfaction. We continuously analyze our processes and ourselves in order to become the best of the best.

*Innovative:* We are committed to developing and implementing cutting-edge technologies for our agents and preferred suppliers.

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