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MAVA'S CAPITAL CONNECTION 2008 TO FEATURE PRESENTATIONS BY 33 EARLY AND EXPANSION STAGE COMPANIES

Region's Premier Venture Event Offers Investors Insight into Emerging Markets and Growth Opportunities

McLean, VA — May 12, 2008 — The Mid-Atlantic Venture Association (MAVA) today announced that 33 early through expansion stage companies have been selected to present during the *Capital ConnectionSM 2008* venture fair May 27-28, 2008, at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront Hotel. Representing the first group in a series of presenter announcements for *Capital Connection 2008*, these companies span a wide range of industries, including e-commerce, Internet, media, security, software and wireless.

"For this year's fair we were fortunate to be presented with one of the strongest pools of applicants in many years," said Erik Rasmussen, vice president of Safeguard Scientifics Inc., one of the selection co-chairs for the event. "*Capital Connection 2008* features a large number of new companies, which will give investors insight into emerging markets. Our early-stage presenters represent an array of great ideas and strong management teams, while the expansion companies are gaining traction and seeking additional capital to raise them to the next level."

The rigorous selection process for *Capital Connection 2008* was led by selection co-chairs Rasmussen, Steve Fredrick of Grotech Ventures, Andrea Kaufman of Novak Biddle Venture Partners and Jonathan Perl of Boulder Ventures. The selection committee, comprised of more than 30 seasoned investors and advisors identified, analyzed and selected companies in a competitive selection process that has served as a best-of-class model emulated by venture fairs throughout the country for more than two decades.

Early and expansion stage presenters, listed by industry segment, include:

E-Commerce

- FTRANS Corp.
- Mobilians International Inc.
- Viamericas Corporation

Internet

- iCommunication Dynamics LLC
- YouChoose LLC

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- Avail Media Inc.
- China Springboard Inc.
- Invision.TV
- Pseuds
- serious usa inc.
- Wupima Inc.

Security

- Prism Microsystems Inc.

Software

- BrightDoor Systems Inc.
- Clarabridge Inc.
- iContact Corporation
- iJET Intelligent Risk Systems
- KZO Innovations
- LogiXML
- NAYATEK
- Netcordia
- NSI
- Regent
- RollStream Inc.
- ROVA
- Social Solutions
- StrikeIron
- Trust Digital
- XTS

Wireless

- Acuity Mobile
- Mpowerplayer
- powercast
- Spectrum Bridge Inc.
- Vidrunner

In an effort to broaden the scope of the venture fair and address the expanding interests of area investors, *Capital Connection 2008* also will feature presentations by successful privately-funded later-stage companies. These companies – which will bring the total of presenters to approximately 50 – will be announced separately.

For the past two decades, MAVA's *Capital Connection* venture fairs have featured presentations by some of the region's most prominent success stories, including Advertising.com, Blackboard, UUNet, SourceFire and Vocus, and attracted many of the most active investors from across the mid-Atlantic region and beyond.

For more information on *Capital Connection 2008*, please visit www.capitalconnection.org.

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The Mid-Atlantic Venture Association represents private equity and venture capitalists with investment interests in the mid-Atlantic. Founded in 1986, MAVA provides a wide range of

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programs, information and forums designed to facilitate quality deal flow, encourage collaboration, and foster relationships with entrepreneurs and investors in order to promote private equity investment. Membership includes more than 500 venture capital professionals representing nearly 125 firms with collectively more than \$100 billion in capital under management. In addition, more than 250 key professional services firms from the legal, financial, executive search and consulting fields are also MAVA members. For more information, please visit www.mava.org

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