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ASCENDANT SOLUTIONS NAMED TO THE D-FW TOP 200

DALLAS, TEXAS (May 18, 2005)— For the first time, Ascendant Solutions, Inc. (“Ascendant”) (OTC BB: ASDS.OB) was named to the “Dallas Morning News’ D-FW Top 200”, a listing of the top 200 public companies in the Metroplex, achieving a rank of 152 out of 200. In addition, Ascendant achieved other distinctions on the list; including being listed as the #1 Revenue Gainer (by percentage gained) and #9 in Total Return to stockholders. “The growth of Ascendant Solutions this past year has been rewarding, due, in large part, to our acquisitions of the assets of Park Pharmacy Corporation and CRESA Partners of Orange County. We are also excited about our recent investment in Frisco Square,” remarked David E. Bowe, President and Chief Executive Officer of Ascendant Solutions. “We continue to seek additional investment and acquisition opportunities which hopefully will enhance our growth even further.”

Ascendant Solutions, Inc. is a publicly traded (OTC BB: ASDS.OB), diversified financial services company based in Dallas, Texas, with investments in healthcare, real estate, and manufacturing industries. It is also seeking to invest in, or acquire, manufacturing, distribution or service companies, and conduct, various real estate activities, performing real estate advisory services for corporate clients, and, through an affiliate, purchase real estate assets as a principal. For additional information, please visit its new website, www.ascendantsolutions.com.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain information included herein is forward-looking within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including, but not limited to, statements concerning growth and expansion. Such forward-looking information involves important risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect actual results and cause them to differ materially from expectations expressed herein and in other Company reports, Securities and Exchange Commission filings, statements and presentations.

Additional information concerning these factors is included in our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Forms 10-Q and other Securities and Exchange Commission filings. These filings can be obtained through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Ascendant Solutions is under no obligation to (and expressly disclaims any such obligation to) update or alter its forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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TOP 20 BY REVENUE GAINERS

TOP 200 RANK	COMPANY	2004 REVENUE GAIN
152	Ascendant Solutions, Inc.	7680.4%
128	TurboChef Technologies Inc.	1821.2%
162	NewMarket Technology Inc.	964.2%
159	Texas Pacific Land Trust	192.8%
81	Affirmative Insurance Holdings Inc.	177.6%
112	Ashford Hospitality Trust Inc.	176.6%
176	Citadel Security Software Inc.	160.5%
25	Energy Transfer Partners LP	142.5%
177	Zix Corp.	141.9%
169	TGC Industries Inc.	137.2%
156	Home Solutions of America Inc.	122.4%
130	Holly Energy Partners LP	120.0%
107	Natural Health Trends Corp.	112.9%
182	Integrated Security Systems Inc.	95.4%
32	Crosstex Energy Inc.	95.2%
33	Crosstex Energy LP	95.2%
151	Collegiate Pacific Inc.	87.7%
49	Lone Star Technologies Inc.	81.0%
161	PMC Commercial Trust	80.1%
17	Commercial Metals Co.	65.8%

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TOP 20 BY TOTAL RETURN

<u>TOP 200 RANK</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>2004 TOTAL RETURN</u>
143	Gainsco Inc.	563.6%
105	Hallwood Group, Inc.	441.4%
167	Toreador Resources Corp.	377.2%
178	3CI Complete Compliance Corp.	283.3%
189	American Healthchoice Inc.	250.0%
192	Spindletop Oil & Gas Co.	228.6%
169	TGC Industries Inc.	205.3%
13	TXU Corp.	181.7%
152	Ascendant Solutions, Inc.	163.9%
95	CompX International Inc.	162.5%
31	U.S. Restaurant Properties Inc.	159.5%
159	Texas Pacific Land Trust	150.9%
140	Microtune Inc.	149.4%
128	TurboChef Technologies Inc.	146.0%
142	Abatix Corp.	145.9%
98	Quicksilver Resources Inc.	127.7%
174	Micropac Industries Inc.	126.6%
77	Range Resources Corp.	117.7%
28	Holly Corp.	111.2%
49	Lone Star Technologies Inc.	109.4%