

Press Release
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PayMaster partners with Nationwide Financial®

PayMaster Payroll Service today announced a new partnership with Nationwide Financial Services, Inc. (NYSE:NFS), one of the largest diversified financial and insurance service providers in the country. As a member of the Nationwide Financial® Preferred Payroll Partnership Program, plan sponsors and pension administrators now will have access to a combined resource for their clients' payroll and employee benefit needs.

This partnership automates the sharing of information, leaving more time for plan sponsors to focus on their business. By combining the experience of these companies into a one-stop-resource, plan sponsors now will have access to:

- Payroll and tax processing
- 401(k) and other retirement plans and services
- Benefit administration
- Time and labor management
- Recordkeeping

The program teams local payroll providers and pension professionals and provides them access to Nationwide Financial's diverse portfolio of individual investment, insurance, retirement and financial planning products. Together, all parties are able to increase product offerings to clients in addition to providing enhanced customer service.

"We are excited about this partnership," said Romeo Chicco, CPA, president of PayMaster, Inc. "In looking for ways to better improve how PayMaster does business, this partnership with Nationwide Financial will be of a great benefit to our clients who already enjoy the peace of mind that they have with PayMaster."

About PayMaster, Inc.

Incorporated in 1995 and headquartered in Florida, PayMaster, Inc. is a rapidly growing company focused on providing payroll processing services and solutions to its clients. Its scope of products and services enable clients to streamline their human resource, payroll processing, and payroll related issues for enhanced productivity and profitability.

About Nationwide Financial®

Nationwide Financial Services, Inc. (NYSE: NFS), a publicly traded company based in Columbus, Ohio, provides a variety of financial services that help consumers invest¹ and protect their long-term assets, and offers retirement plans and services through both public- and private-sector employers.

It's part of the Nationwide group of companies, which offers diversified insurance and financial services. The group is led by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, which is ranked No. 99 on the Fortune 100 based on 2004 revenue². For more information, visit www.nationwide.com.

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1 Nationwide Investment Services Corporation, member NASD. In MI only: Nationwide Investment Svcs. Corporation.

2 Fortune Magazine, April 2005