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Spring Consulting New Platinum Partner of DMEC

San Diego, CA—July 8, 2008—With the three leading causes of disability claims costing businesses in North America an estimated \$242 billion per year, employers are looking for ways to manage these costs and keep valued employees at work. Now Spring Consulting is teaming up with the Disability Management Employer Coalition (DMEC) to provide a range of new educational materials that will assist employers in developing cost-saving programs and returning employees to productive employment.

Karen English, a partner at Spring Consulting, will serve on the DMEC Executive Advisory Board as well as assist DMEC in producing educational materials and providing survey design and analysis. English has conducted industry-leading research in the area of integrated disability, absence and health benefits that has helped provide benchmarks to employers looking to design these types of programs. English has been with Spring Consulting as one of the founding partners for four years; before that, she was a senior consultant at Watson Wyatt.

“Spring is thrilled to be working with DMEC to help employers prioritize and expand their integration efforts. In an ever-changing market, DMEC serves as a valuable resource and supportive environment that we are happy to be a part of,” says English.

Spring Consulting becomes the 11th Platinum Sponsor of DMEC, the leading developer of integrated disability management strategies for employers.

Says Marcia Carruthers, CPDM, CEO of DMEC, “Karen and her partners provide some strategic services that will strengthen our educational offerings and add depth to our member services. Spring is highly respected and acknowledged in the industry. We expect this alliance to provide key expertise to both our programs and complement the Executive Advisory Board.”

About DMEC

The Disability Management Employer Coalition (DMEC) is a non-profit organization that provides educational resources to employers in the areas of disability, absence, health, and productivity. The primary goal of DMEC is to assist employers in developing cost-saving programs, encouraging responsive market products, and returning employees to productive employment. Visit www.dmec.org for more information about educational publications and events.

About Spring Consulting

Spring Consulting Group, LLC, provides strategic consulting services to Fortune 500 companies, insurance, financial services and captive organizations throughout the world. The firm provides expertise in employee benefit plan design, process efficiency, and funding alternatives and routinely works with companies to determine the best way to integrate their disability, workers' compensation, absence and

health management programs. Spring assists clients in all phases of strategy assessment, program development, financial and actuarial analysis and implementation.

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