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PCI NORTH AMERICAN COMMUNITY MEETING ATTENDEES GAIN POWERFUL INSIGHTS ON MOBILE, ENCRYPTION AND PAYMENT SECURITY

— More than 1,000 attendees join PCI Council at event to discuss global payment security—

WAKEFIELD, Mass., September 18, 2012 —The <u>PCI</u> Security Standards Council (PCI SSC), a global, open industry standards body providing management of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (<u>PCI DSS</u>), <u>PIN</u> Transaction Security (PTS) requirements and the Payment Application Data Security Standard (<u>PA-DSS</u>), today announced the close and recap of the sixth annual <u>North American Community Meeting.</u>

This year's event held in Orlando, Florida attracted more than 1,000 stakeholders representing 460 organizations from 17 countries to discuss:

- <u>Feedback on the standards</u> in preparation for the release of the next version of the PCI DSS and PA-DSS in 2013
- New <u>quidance</u> on secure mobile payment acceptance application development
- Updates to the Council's Point-to-Point Encryption (P2PE) program
- Newly released guidelines for <u>ATM security</u>
- The Council's new training programs and professional qualifications
- Updates from PCI <u>Special Interest Groups</u> on cloud, eCommerce and risk assessment

"The Community Meetings play an important part in bringing together PCI stakeholders to discuss the latest payment card security efforts, and we're encouraged to see the continued growth of interest and participation in this initiative," said Bob Russo, general manager, PCI Security Standards Council. "Gaining the feedback from our Participating Organizations is absolutely vital for us to develop new guidance on key topics such as

mobile payment acceptance and ATM security, as well as in the ongoing improvement of the PCI Standards. The input and discussion at this year's meetings are especially important as we look to introduce the next version of the PCI Standards in 2013."

"It is important for us to meet face-to-face with our stakeholders, not only to update them on the most recent developments, but also to have one-on-one interactions and personal conversations on the issues that matter most to them," said Jeremy King, European director, PCI Security Standards Council. "We look forward to seeing more of our global counterparts in Dublin for the European Community Meeting on October 22-24, 2012."

For more information or to register for the PCI European Community Meeting, please visit: https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/communitymeeting/2012/europe/index.shtml.

About the PCI Security Standards Council

The <u>PCI</u> Security Standards Council is an open global forum that is responsible for the development, management, education, and awareness of the PCI Data Security Standard (<u>PCI DSS</u>) and other standards that increase payment data security. Founded in 2006 by the major payment card brands American Express, Discover Financial Services, JCB International, MasterCard Worldwide and Visa Inc., the Council has over 600 Participating Organizations representing merchants, banks, processors and vendors worldwide. To learn more about playing a part in securing payment card data globally, please visit: pcisecuritystandards.org.

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