Merchant Services Donates \$500 to Equine Rescue Center

Irvine, CA; January 11, 2012 – Merchant Services announced today it will be donating \$500 to the Equine Rescue Center in Paicines, California. The Irvine-based company is donating \$5,000 to 10 charities selected by their sales team as part of their Winter Giving Program.

Merchant Services launched a Winter Giving Program that provides a donation of \$500 each to ten separate charities. The company invited their sales team to submit the name of their favorite charity and then held a drawing to select the final ten recipients. The Equine Rescue Center was one of those ten.

"We are committed to giving back to the community through charitable contributions," said Bob Parisi, Senior Vice President of Merchant Services, adding "supporting non-profit organizations that are important to our team members, such as the Equine Rescue Center, helps get everyone involved and brings corporate giving to a more personal level."

Since its inception in 1995 Merchant Services has been committed to giving back to the community. Its team partners with multiple local, national and international organizations to meet their vision of continuously acting in a socially responsible manner, through the investment of hundreds of thousands of dollars in donations to community strengthening organizations

About the Equine Rescue Center

The mission of the Equine Rescue Center is to rescue abused, abandoned, neglected, orphaned equines including horses, ponies, donkeys and mules. They provide a safe home where these animals can receive veterinary care, rehabilitation, socialization, proper nutrition and most of all love.

About Merchant Services

Founded in 1995, Merchant Services is a leading provider of e-commerce solutions to businesses throughout the United States. Recognized in 2009 and 2010 by Inc. Magazine as one of *The 5000 Fastest Growing Privately-Held Companies in the U.S.*, Merchant Services provides sound, reliable and cost-effective bankcard and e-commerce support to tens of thousands of business partners nationwide.

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