



## JEFFERSON WELLS ANNOUNCES EXPANSION INTO SOUTH AMERICA

*Creates Alliance with Baker Tilly Brasil*

MILWAUKEE – December 17, 2009 – Jefferson Wells, a global provider of risk advisory, tax, and finance and accounting-related services, today announced it has established an alliance with Baker Tilly Brasil, an independent member of the international accounting and consultancy network, Baker Tilly International. The alliance agreement, completed on September 28, 2009, marks Jefferson Wells' fourth alliance this year and is its first expansion into South America.

"As our clients assess the economy with an eye on strategic growth, they look to Jefferson Wells as a partner that can provide meaningful guidance, expertise and resources to maximize the value of their current initiatives and plan for the future," said Michael Touhey, president and chief operating officer of Jefferson Wells. "Baker Tilly Brasil has built a reputation for delivering superior technical and industry-focused services to their clients in South America. We look forward to working together to further enhance our ability to deliver the right talent and expertise to clients with operations in Brazil and South America."

As the first South American country to emerge from the recession, Brazil has a dynamic domestic and international economic environment. Add to this the country's recent successful bid for the Olympics in 2016 and Brazil is poised for significant growth, leading to significant demand for business advisory services in industries such as construction, energy, financial services, tourism and leisure, and manufacturing. Organizations will now have immediate access to highly experienced resources at the local level for on-the-ground responsiveness and cultural understanding.

"This alliance will allow us to better serve our clients by tapping into Jefferson Wells' unmatched global talent, expertise, and their depth and breadth of services," said Osvaldo Roberto Nieto, managing partner with Baker Tilly Brasil. "Jefferson Wells is well-respected in the professional services arena and has a firmly established presence worldwide, making it an excellent partner. Together we can leverage our collective world class leading practices and tools to better serve our clients."

Headquartered in Sao Paulo, Baker Tilly Brasil began in 1994 as an independent member of the network named Baker Tilly International. The company provides consulting services in the areas of audit, people management, health management, labor and social security, and tax. Baker Tilly Brasil has nine offices located throughout Brazil including Rio de Janeiro.

### **About Baker Tilly Brasil**

Baker Tilly Brasil offers valuable accounting and tax business solutions to national and international organizations through a team of talented, experienced professionals operating in nine offices located in Brazil's major cities. For more information, visit [www.bakertillybrasil.com.br/en/](http://www.bakertillybrasil.com.br/en/)

### **About Jefferson Wells**

Jefferson Wells is a global provider of professional services in the areas of risk advisory, tax, and finance and accounting-related services. Headquartered in Milwaukee, Jefferson Wells serves clients, including Fortune 500 and Global 1000 companies, through highly experienced professionals working from offices worldwide.

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