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America's 5000 Fastest-Growing Private Companies Revealed Tandem HR Ranks No. 3555 on the 2009 Inc. 5,000

OAK BROOK, IL, August 27, 2009 – Inc. ranked Tandem HR No. 3555 on its annual ranking of the 5000 fastest-growing private companies in the country. The list is the most comprehensive look at the most important segment of the economy – America's independent-minded entrepreneurs. Taken as a whole, these companies represent the backbone of the U.S. economy.

"Our third annual Inc. 5000 continues the most ambitious project in business journalism," said Inc. 5000 Project Manager Jim Melloan. "The Inc. 5000 gives an unrivalled portrait of young, underreported companies across all industries doing fascinating things with cutting-edge business models, as well as older companies that are still showing impressive growth."

Tandem HR, an Oak Brook-based professional employer organization, grew an impressive 67% over the past three years. Its mission to partner with small-midsize organizations to further their success by providing expertise in Human Resource solutions such as payroll, benefit administration, people management, risk management and organizational development has resulted not only in Tandem's growth – but the growth of its clients as well.

"As a business owner, I know the time it takes to administer your human resources," explains President Bruce Leon. "If I can take a majority of those tasks off the plates of business executives, it allows them to focus on the growth of their business – the reason they started the company in the first place!"

With 30 years of human resource and management experience, Managing Director Gayle Nicholas, enjoys partnering with the variety of business owners working with PEOs. "We become true business partners. Tandem strives to see clients grow their business!"

The 5000 companies that made the list reported aggregate revenue of \$214 billion and median revenue of \$10 million. Complete results of the Inc. 5000, including company profiles and a list of the fastest-growing companies that can be sorted by industry and region can be found at www.inc.com.