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**Former DHS Senior Leaders Joining Dutko Worldwide –
Establishing New Practice in Global Risk Management**

Washington, D.C., March 16, 2009 – Three former Department of Homeland Security (DHS) experts in crisis prevention, preparedness, planning and incident management have joined Dutko Worldwide to launch a new venture aimed at helping private and public institutions mitigate risk, avert disasters, and recover from natural and man-made emergencies, CEO Mark Irion announced today.

The new Dutko Worldwide company, Dutko Global Risk Management (DGRM), will be led by Managing Director Robert Stephan, who until January served as DHS' Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection; Managing Director Theodore Macklin, a nationally recognized authority on emergency preparedness and operational response with a long history of support to the DHS Operations Directorate; and Managing Director Brian Sailer, who conceived of and helped launch this new consultancy while helping to lead Dutko Government Markets, another of Dutko's business consulting

arms. Also joining Dutko Global Risk Management is Vice President Christopher Krebs, who helped lead the development, implementation, and enforcement of DHS' Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards regulatory program, the first nationwide security regulatory framework for high-risk chemical facilities.

“Bob Stephan, Ted Macklin, and Chris Krebs bring unmatched technical expertise and experience in public-private partnership building to Dutko’s corporate and government clients,” said Irion. “DGRM will offer organizations hands-on support in critical infrastructure protection, corporate resilience, emergency preparedness, response and recovery planning, continuity of government and continuity of operations planning and implementation, and other disciplines. Our professionals literally helped write the book on cutting-edge risk management.”

Stephan was responsible for six U.S. national strategies and plans currently in operation, including: the *National Infrastructure Protection Plan (2006, 2009)*; the *National Incident Management System (2004)*; the *National Response Plan (2005)*; and the *National Strategy for Countering Improvised Explosive Devices (2008)*.

“In an increasingly complex and dangerous world, private and public institutions have no choice but to assume new responsibilities – whether it’s reducing their vulnerability to terrorist or cyber attacks or appraising how best to recover from unexpected calamities,” said Stephan. “DGRM will provide clients with the technical support they need to achieve security, accountability, and operational continuity.”

In addition to providing consulting services to DHS and other federal agencies, DGRM will support state and local government, working closely with governors,

mayors, local officials, and owners and operators of critical infrastructure. DGRM will also advise corporations on resiliency planning, as well as offer counsel on federal regulatory issues. On the international front, DGRM is already focused on engagements with governments and businesses in South America, Europe, the Middle East, and Asia.

DGRM is the sixth new business that Dutko Worldwide has launched in recent years to meet ever-evolving client needs. “Dutko Worldwide is a broad based public policy management platform company that provides clients with a host of professional services to help them build successful public-private partnerships. Each business line is available individually or can be combined with other services of Dutko Worldwide, which will provide DGRM with a strong platform for its initial client base,” said Brian Sailer. “Given the reputation that Bob, Ted, and Chris have earned in the marketplace and their trusted relationships with leaders in both the private and public sectors, we’re confident that DGRM will hit the ground running.”

A former Colonel in the U.S. Air Force, Stephan was responsible at DHS for cataloguing critical infrastructures and coordinating risk-based strategies and protective measures to secure them from terrorist attack. Among the highlights of his 24-year Air Force career was serving as mission commander of an interdiction operation in Iraq during Operation Desert Storm. Colonel Stephan also organized, trained, and equipped forces for contingency operations in Somalia, Haiti, and Eastern Europe.

Among Ted Macklin's responsibilities at DHS was coordinating crisis exercises for top officials (TOPOFF) as well as managing the department's post-Katrina catastrophic planning.

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