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ETA Announces Inaugural Class of Certified Payments Professionals

Washington, DC – The Electronic Transactions Association today released the names of 180 individuals who have earned the Certified Payments Professional (CPP) designation. More than 220 sat for the CPP examination, administered in November 2011. Those who earned the CPP designation were notified by mail on January 6.

“The announcement of this first class of Certified Payments Professionals is a historic milestone for ETA and the payments industry,” said ETA’s interim CEO, Pamela Furneaux. “For the first time, merchants who accept electronic payments have access to a group of professionals who have demonstrated a thorough, well-rounded knowledge of their profession that is easy to verify.”

The names of the new CPPs are located in a searchable registry located at www.electran.org/cpp.

ETA will administer the exam again during May 2012. The application deadline for the May testing window is April 1, 2012.

The Certified Payments Professional credential is the standard for professional performance in the payments industry and a symbol of excellence. It signifies that an individual has demonstrated the knowledge and skills required to perform competently in today’s complex electronic payments environment. The program recognizes that today’s merchant service providers must have a broad knowledge of the industry and must demonstrate mastery not only of sales, but also pricing and interchange; business process, operations and workflow; products and solutions; risk; and regulatory, compliance and security matters.

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About ETA

The Electronic Transactions Association is an international trade association representing more than 500 companies who offer electronic transaction processing products and services. ETA’s mission is to advance the payments industry profession by providing leadership through education, advocacy and the exchange of information.