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CompTIA Urges Congress to Reinstate the R&D Credit

Washington, DC, January 3, 2006 – The Computing Technology Industry Association (CompTIA) called on Congress today to reinstate the Research and Development (“R&D”) Credit when it comes back into session later this month. An extension and important enhancement of the credit had been included in both the Senate and House tax bills passed in late 2005, but a conference has yet to convene, and the credit was allowed to expire on December 31, 2005.

“The world looks to America to provide innovative, effective, and cost-efficient IT solutions,” noted Roger Cochetti, Group Director of U.S. Public Policy for CompTIA. “The R&D credit does that and then some. It acts as a powerful incentive for American companies to invest in innovative IT research and development for the world’s consumers, boosting our global competitiveness. In doing so, it also spurs the creation of high-paying, quality jobs for American workers.”

Added Cochetti, “Upon Congress’ return, we respectfully urge legislators to reinstate the credit, seeing in it a taxpayer-friendly way in which to boost American IT leadership, while also promoting continued U.S. prosperity and growth.”

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CompTIA is a global trade association representing the business interests of the information technology industry. For more than 23 years CompTIA has provided research, networking and partnering opportunities to its 20,000 members in 102 countries. The association is involved in developing standards and best practices, and influencing the political, economic and educational arenas that impact IT worldwide. More information is at www.comptia.org.

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