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AZUMANO TRAVEL RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION AS ONE OF FOUR “BEST TRAVEL MANAGEMENT SITES”

PORTLAND, OREGON (June 23, 2006)— Azumano Travel, an American Express Travel Services Representative, was one of four companies worldwide to have been nominated for Best Travel Management Website by TravelMole, an online community of over 300,000 travel and tourism professionals worldwide (35,000 in UK, 30,000 in Europe, 210,000 in North America, and 25,000 in other countries), it was announced today by Azumano Vice President Bill Harmon.

Now in its third year, the TravelMole Web Awards received a record number of nominations, with over 1,000 individual websites nominated across 12 categories. The response was so high that this year, the judges decided to select four short-listed companies for each category instead of three.

Websites were judged by a team of Internet specialists according to ease of navigation, clarity of purpose, functionality and effective and aesthetically- pleasing design.

“We are extremely honored to have made the short list in the category of Best Travel Management Sites and to have been the only U.S. company in the top four,” said Harmon.

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TravelMole Ltd. is a member of the Omni Tourism Group, a global provider of travel and tourism services and systems for content management, aggregation and distribution for consumers and the travel industry. TravelMole's management team includes some of the travel and tourism industry's most experienced and respected professionals in North America, UK/Europe and South Pacific. Likewise, its editorial staff includes recognized journalists, previously from major travel print publications. The common thread amongst the team is their belief in and commitment to the Internet as an effective medium for information, news and networking.

Azumano Travel was founded in 1949 in Portland, Oregon, and joined the American Express Representative Network in 2001. Today, Azumano is a multifaceted enterprise with a retail staff of 175 and sales revenues in excess of \$162 million. The company has offices in Portland, Beaverton, Tigard, Salem, Corvallis and Eugene in Oregon; Vancouver, Seattle and Redmond in Washington; and an office in Anchorage, Alaska. For more information, visit www.azumano.com.

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