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ASPPA and DOL Jointly Host Employee Benefits Conference

May 14, 2007 (Arlington, VA) —The American Society of Pension Professionals & Actuaries (ASPPA) and the U. S. Department of Labor (DOL) will jointly host “DOL Speaks: The 2007 Employee Benefits Conference,” on May 24-25 in Washington, D.C. at the Capital Hilton Hotel, 1001 16th Street NW, Washington, DC 20036. U.S. Secretary of Labor, Elaine L. Chao, will be featured as the luncheon speaker.

“This conference is a great opportunity to get the most up-to-date information through comprehensive educational workshops and access to industry experts. Workshops are designed to help benefit professionals maintain excellence and quality in the work performed for retirement and welfare plans,” said Brian H. Graff, Esq., APM, Executive Director/CEO of ASPPA.

Every session will feature both private and public sector speakers presenting their unique perspectives on issues relating to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (PPA). Conference topics will include the latest regulatory and legislative updates on ERISA; DOL audit enforcement; retirement plan and group health and welfare plan issues; fiduciary matters; fundamentals of running an ERISA plan and much more. Benefits professionals can earn continuing professional education credits.

The conference, featuring general sessions and concurrent workshops, begins Thursday, May 24 at 8:30 a.m. and concludes Friday, May 25 at 12:30 p.m.

ASPPA, a national organization made up of more than 6,000 retirement plan professionals, is dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of the employer-sponsored retirement plan system. ASPPA is the only organization comprised exclusively of pension professionals that actively advocates for legislative and regulatory changes to expand and improve the employer-sponsored pension system. In addition, ASPPA offers an extensive credentialing program with a reputation for high-quality training that is thorough and specialized. ASPPA credentials are bestowed upon administrators, consultants, actuaries and other professionals associated with the retirement plan industry.