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Transportation Analyst, Andy Ahern of Ahern & Associates Assists Universal Truckload Services, Inc. in Purchasing Freight Brokerage Firm, D. Kratt International, Inc.

Universal Truckload Services, Inc. acquires Chicago based freight forwarding and customs house brokerage firm, D. Kratt International, Inc. with the aid of transportation management and consulting firm, Ahern & Associates, Ltd.

Phoenix, AZ— Phoenix based trucking consulting firm, [Ahern & Associates](#), Ltd. has acted within a management consulting capacity as acquisition advisers to Universal Truckload Services, Inc., for their recent acquisition of D. Kratt International, Inc.

D. Kratt International provides extensive domestic and international logistics and warehousing functions as well as comprehensive documentary and cargo insurance services. D. Kratt International will operate as part of [Universal Logistics](#), Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Universal Truckload Services, Inc.

Unique in their approach to transportation acquisitions, Ahern & Associates works closely with expanding companies to create markets which align with their acquisition strategies and goals through proper planning and an exclusive identification process of potential targets.

This concludes the second acquisition deal of 2009 that Ahern & Associates has played a significant role in for UTSI by acting as acquisition advisors. Andy Ahern, CEO of Ahern & Associates Ltd., comments: “Our firm worked diligently to assist UTSI in finding an acquisition target that met their specific criteria and we look forward to working on future endeavors with their company.”

About Universal Truckload Services, Inc:

Universal Truckload Services, Inc. is primarily an asset-light provider of transportation services to shippers throughout the United States and in the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Quebec. The Company's trucking services include both flatbed and dry van operations and the Company provides rail-truck and steamship-truck intermodal support services. The Company also offers truck brokerage services.

About Ahern & Associates, Ltd.:

Ahern and Associates is North America's leading trucking and transportation management consulting firm. The skilled consultants at Ahern and Associates specialize in mergers and acquisitions of trucking and logistics companies as well as the restructuring and evaluation of existing carriers that seek to increase operating efficiency and improve profitability. Since 1987, Ahern and Associates has aided hundreds of buyers in the acquisition of trucking and logistics companies throughout the U.S. and Canada as well as assisting many transportation and logistics companies in reducing their overall

operating costs and increasing their profitability. For more information, please call 602-242-1030 or visit <http://www.Ahern-Ltd.com>

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