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## Crist|Kolder Associates Releases 2009 Volatility Report Measuring Movement of C-Level Executives

CHICAGO, Aug. 24 /PRNewswire/ -- Crist|Kolder Associates, a senior level executive search firm, has announced the release of The Crist|Kolder Volatility Report 2009, an in-depth research study aimed at measuring movement at the CEO, COO, and CFO levels of the top companies in the country.

In announcing the release, Thomas R. Kolder, President of Crist|Kolder Associates, stated, "This year's Report shows that while volatility in the C-Suite has declined slightly during this current economic malaise, there continues to be a significant amount of churn in the senior ranks of Corporate America. COO numbers are still dropping, and CFOs are picking up the slack, not only in terms of workload, but also in terms of ascension to the CEO chair. We expect that trend to continue."

Highlights from the 2009 Report include:

- CEO and CFO volatility continues to mirror the stock market's performance.
- With the exception of Energy, there has been decreased CEO and CFO volatility across all industries in 2009.
- The decreasing prevalence of the COO role persists. 2009 shows the lowest percentage of COOs in fifteen years.
- There has been a dramatic rise in the percentage of CFOs being directly appointed to CEO.

To download a copy of The Crist|Kolder Volatility Report 2009, please visit [www.cristkolder.com](http://www.cristkolder.com).

Crist|Kolder Associates is a senior level executive search Firm with a national presence. The Firm limits itself to 40 CEO, COO, and CFO searches per year, as well as a select number of Board of Director searches. This work is done across all industries. For more information, please visit [www.cristkolder.com](http://www.cristkolder.com).

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