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According to ETA and based on the award criteria, Mr. Garcia was selected for his more than 30-year career as a payments industry leader, acknowledged trend-setter, role model, and positive contributor to the performance and overall image of the industry.

President of ETA, Nick Baxter, said, "Paul Garcia is respected and valued throughout our industry and also garners credibility and respect from those beyond the payments arena. Through his positive business contributions and demonstration of the utmost integrity and high ethical standards, he actively contributes to the collective success of the payments industry."

ETA is the premier international trade association serving the needs of organizations offering transaction processing products and services with the following mission: to fully serve its members and advance their profession by providing leadership through education, advocacy, and the exchange of information. ETA serves more than 500 member companies from seven countries.

Global Payments Inc. (NYSE: GPN) is a leading provider of electronic transaction processing services for consumers, merchants, Independent Sales Organizations (ISOs), financial institutions, government agencies, gaming establishments, and multi-national corporations located throughout the United States, Canada, Latin America, Europe, and the Asia-Pacific region. Global Payments offers a comprehensive line of processing solutions for credit and debit cards, business-to-business purchasing cards, gift cards, electronic check conversion and check guarantee, verification and recovery including electronic check services, as well as terminal management. The company also provides consumer money transfer services from the U.S. and Europe to destinations in Latin America, Morocco, and the Philippines. Visit www.globalpaymentsinc.com for more information about the company and its services.

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