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RIVERWOOD SOLUTIONS CEO MATT RYAN SELECTED AS 2009 “PRO TO KNOW” BY SUPPLY & DEMAND CHAIN EXECUTIVE MAGAZINE

Award Recognizes Individuals Delivering Competitive Advantage and Bottom Line Value to Clients through Innovative Supply Chain Management

MENLO PARK, CA – March 24, 2009 – [Riverwood Solutions](#), the innovator in [managed supply chain services](#), today announced that CEO Matt Ryan has been selected by [Supply & Demand Chain Executive](#) magazine as a 2009 Provider Pro to Know. The award recognizes individuals who have personally helped clients during the current economic downturn by assisting them in managing risk in the supply chain, providing competitive advantage and delivering value to the bottom line.

“All too often, achieving a world-class supply chain is hampered by partners’ and customers’ failure to openly communicate information. The inefficiency, waste, additional lead time and excess inventory driven into the supply chain by withholding or positioning information in a particular light accounts for more than 35% of all supply chain performance issues and as much as 15% of total supply chain costs,” said Ryan, CEO of Riverwood Solutions. “I am committed to helping clients create responsive, flexible supply chains and am honored to be recognized by *Supply & Demand Chain Executive* for my work.”

With a wealth of [international operating experience](#), Ryan has earned a reputation for establishing and running world-class, global operations and has had full responsibility for operations in more than 20 countries on four continents. Prior to founding Riverwood Solutions, Ryan served as executive vice president of Worldwide Operations, Logistics and Services for [Flextronics International](#).

“Ryan has distinguished himself as a respected leader in the competitive world of global electronics manufacturing,” said Andrew K. Reese, editor, *Supply & Demand Chain Executive*. “His nearly 20 years in the industry, combined with his proven results of streamlining and optimizing clients’ supply chains through the Hybrid Outsourced Services Team model, has earned him a place on this year’s Provider Pros listing.”

The full listing of the 2009 Pros to Know is available in the February/March 2009 issue of *Supply & Demand Chain Executive* magazine and ebook, and on the web site: www.SDCExec.com.

About *Supply & Demand Chain Executive*

Supply & Demand Chain Executive is the executive’s user manual for successful supply and demand chain transformation, utilizing hard-hitting analysis, viewpoints and unbiased case studies to steer executives and supply management professionals through the complicated, yet critical, world of supply and demand chain enablement to gain competitive advantage.

About Riverwood Solutions

Riverwood Solutions is a managed services provider that helps OEMs design, implement and manage cost-effective, highly responsive supply chains. Riverwood's team of OEM and EMS (electronic manufacturing services) industry veterans has negotiated more than \$7.5 billion in global supply agreements and launched nearly 200 products in 20 countries for numerous brand owning enterprises. The company's [HOSTSM \(Hybrid Outsourced Services Team\)](#) model provides clients at any stage of supply chain maturity with skilled project management in the world's innovation centers and in-country operations and supply chain expertise in the world's leading manufacturing centers. Riverwood's unparalleled experience, proven processes and unique model allow OEMs to implement and manage more responsive supply chains at a lower total cost with a long-term partner whose financial goals are aligned with their own.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, Calif., Riverwood (www.rwsops.com) has offices in Dallas, Texas, Guadalajara, Mexico, Stockholm, Sweden, and Shenzhen, China.

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