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RAPIDFIRE SAFETY & SECURITY ACQUIRES CHRISTOPHERSON FIRE PROTECTION

St Louis, MO. (May 16, 2025) – RapidFire Safety & Security (RapidFire), a leader in the fire, life safety, and security industry has acquired Christopherson Fire Protection (Christopherson), a 40-year-old fire protection company based in Chino, California. This acquisition enhances RapidFire's service capabilities and solidifies its presence in Southern California. Christopherson is RapidFire's ninth acquisition in California.

Christopherson Fire Protection was founded in 1985 by David Christopherson and was currently owned by his son, Eric. Christopherson has been serving Greater Los Angeles, Inland Empire, and San Diego County for over 40 years. The company specializes in the design, installation, inspection, and maintenance of fire sprinkler systems, kitchen fire suppression systems, fire extinguishers, emergency lighting, backflow devices, and hood and duct cleaning services. Christopherson is an authorized distributor for ANSUL and AMEREX

systems.

With thousands of fire systems under recurring inspection and repair across Southern California, Christopherson was built on a foundation of safety and personalized customer service—values that continue to guide them today. Their continued growth is driven by dedicated sales efforts, customer referrals, and the reputation they've earned over the past 40 years. Christopherson's team will continue to deliver exceptional service to their clients, now with the added support and resources of RapidFire.

"Christopherson Fire Protection is a great fit to our established reputation in the Southern California market," said John De Sousa, RapidFire's Western General Manager. "With the addition of Christopherson's experience, we continue our rapid growth trajectory in our region and further expand our presence throughout the Southern California marketplace. Our commitment to partnering with businesses like Christopherson's expands our services and aligns with our people-centric, family-built strategy."

"In 1985, David Christopherson started Christopherson Fire Protection with one simple promise: to keep people safe. For over forty years, that promise has guided everything we do. Dave always said, "Every customer is a member of a family—treat them like one of ours." That belief became the heart of our company, shaping how we show up, how we serve, and how we care.," said Eric Christopherson, Owner of CFP. "Today, we're proud to honor Dave's legacy by joining forces with one of the most respected names in fire safety: RapidFire. This partnership means broader services, deeper resources, and new opportunities to protect what matters most. But some things will never change—like our commitment to treating every customer like family. We're still here. Still committed. Still keeping Dave's promise—just with more ways to serve you than ever before."

"We are excited to welcome Christopherson Fire Protection to the RapidFire family," said Brian Modglin, Chief Operating Officer of RapidFire Safety & Security. "Their exceptional expertise and dedication to protecting lives and property strengthen our capabilities in the California market. This acquisition enhances our ability to deliver comprehensive fire safety solutions while fostering growth and opportunity for our team and clients."

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About Christopherson Fire Protection:

Founded in 1985, Christopherson Fire Protection is a full-service fire protection company based in Chino, California. The company offers a wide range of solutions and services, including fire sprinkler systems, kitchen fire suppression systems, fire extinguishers, emergency lighting, backflow devices, and hood and duct cleaning. Christopherson serves commercial and industrial clients throughout Southern California and is known for its commitment to safety, quality, and customer satisfaction.

For more information on Christopherson Fire Protection, visit www.christophersonfireprotection.com

About RapidFire Safety & Security:

RapidFire Safety & Security offers the commercial sector comprehensive expertise in fire,

life safety, and electronic security services. Led by a team of proven industry operators including visionary founder, Mike McLeod, long-time colleague and co-founder, Colin Harrold, and in partnership with Concentric Equity Partners, our multi-regional "Buy & Build" strategy is driving the development of a world-class platform throughout the Midwest, Southwest and Western United States.

We're on the lookout for entrepreneurs and owners in the fire, life safety, and security industries who want to extend their legacy and community impact with people-focused leadership that provides peace-of-mind to owners who have maxed out their growth trajectory.

For more information on RapidFire, visit www.rapidfiress.com.

About Concentric Equity Partners:

Concentric Equity Partners is a private investment firm that partners with leading middle market companies by providing capital and strategic advisory to accelerate long term value creation. Concentric's approach is simple: support entrepreneurs and operators by providing the resources required to achieve extraordinary results. The firm's investment team is made up of individuals with distinguished track records as operators and professional investors across a variety of growth-oriented middle market companies.

Concentric Equity Partners is the direct investing arm of Financial Investments Corporation, a private asset management firm and family office with over \$2 billion in investment commitments under management. Financial Investments Corporation was founded in 1994 by father and daughter Harrison and Jennifer Steans and has been partnering with private companies for more than 25 years.

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