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U.S. REP. HAROLD FORD JR. (D-TENN.) AND CDFI FUND DIRECTOR TONY BROWN TO KEYNOTE NOVOGRADAC & COMPANY LLP'S NEW MARKETS TAX CREDIT INVESTORS CONFERENCE

Nashville Meeting November 5-7 to Feature Corporate, Bank, Investment Bank and Venture Capital Investor Representatives and Their Goals

Nashville, Tenn. – U.S. Rep. Harold Ford Jr. (D-Tenn.) and CDFI Fund director Tony Brown will highlight two days of presentations by the new markets tax credit (NMTC) industry's leading investors at Novogradac & Company LLP's **New Markets Tax Credit Investors Conference**. The gathering will be held at the Gaylord Opryland Resort in Nashville, Tenn., November 5-7.

“When we entered 2003 we knew it could be an exciting year for the new markets tax credit (NMTC) industry. Those expectations have been met and surpassed,” says conference chair and Novogradac & Company LLP managing partner Michael J. Novogradac, CPA. “**The New Markets Tax Credit Investors Conference** in Nashville promises to be an exciting opportunity to hear not only the latest from Treasury, the IRS and the CDFI Fund but to learn what investors have planned as they participate in the revitalization of low-income communities.”

Join NMTC professionals as they address major investor objectives that include the goals and requirements of tax credit and economic investors, criteria that will satisfy banks' and insurance companies' investment obligations, and the NMTC allocation agreement. An open forum for any and all questions will be featured on Friday, November 7.

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The **New Markets Tax Investors Credit Conference** is co-hosted by Hunter Chase & Company, an investment banking firm that forms joint ventures with community development or traditional venture capital to utilize the New Markets Tax Credit program, and Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal's Affordable Housing and Tax-Advantaged Practice Group, which is nationally recognized for its expertise in all aspects of tax credit transactions and its closing of more than \$1 billion in tax credit investments.

San Francisco-based Novogradac & Company LLP is a national certified public accounting and consulting firm that specializes in community development and affordable housing coast to coast. With offices in San Francisco, Calif.; Atlanta, Ga.; Austin, Texas; Kansas City, Kan.; Washington, DC.; and New Philadelphia, Ohio the firm provides a full spectrum of attest, tax, valuation, market research and consulting services to community development and affordable housing developers, syndicators, lenders and investors.

For more information about Novogradac & Company LLP's New Markets Tax Credit Investors Conference visit www.newmarketscredits.com, or contact Jane Bowar Zastrow at 415.356.8034, or jane.zastrow@novoco.com.

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