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## **FirstService Real Estate Advisors Strengthens Global Workplace Solutions Group**

***Industry leader Scott Nelson joins as President together with experienced teams  
in Atlanta and Richmond***

**SEATTLE and ATLANTA, September 3, 2009** — The emerging leader in commercial real estate services, FirstService Real Estate Advisors (“FirstService REA”), today announced that industry leader Scott Nelson has joined as a Principal and President of Client Solution Design, part of the Global Workplace Solutions division. Also joining is Mark Rosenthal, who will be National Director of Operations, as well as experienced professionals including Muscoe Garnett, Andrew Ferguson, Vance Spilman and Alicia Fritter.

Nelson will be based in Atlanta and will play the lead role in driving the growth and development of the Global Workplace Solutions business. Nelson’s team will work closely with clients to develop an in-depth understanding of key business strategies, create customized real estate solutions that meet their objectives and then oversee execution on an on-going basis. The Global Workplace Solutions division was created within FirstService REA to provide seamless accountability and control for clients delivered through a proven group of experienced professionals that are closely connected and aligned with FirstService REA’s global services platform.

Rosenthal will lead operations on a day-to-day basis, with responsibility for process improvement and information technology, and will coordinate client account management professionals. The team already serves an impressive roster of global corporate clients.

“Scott and Mark and their team bring a wealth of experience and gravitas to a critical service area, providing a best-in-class, customized real estate strategy to corporate clients with multiple locations throughout the US and around the world,” said Dylan Taylor, President of US Operations for FirstService REA. “These hires further enhance our business model and allow us to focus on our goal of delivering a consultative, rather than transactional service philosophy to our clients and to do so with a long-term perspective.”

“I am deeply encouraged by how much focus and investment FirstService Real Estate Advisors is putting into developing a Global Workplace Solutions division that competes favorably at the highest levels globally,” Nelson said. “What distinguishes us from our competitors is our unique approach which delivers customizable real estate solutions combined with measurable results. This is not a one-size-fits all model, and I am confident that clients will be impressed by the depth and capabilities of FirstService Real Estate Advisors.”

The Global Workplace Solutions division provides the following services: Client Solutions Design; Account Management; Transaction Management; Leased and Owned Property Administration; Workplace Strategy; Corporate Finance; and Facilities Management.

Prior to joining FirstService REA, Nelson spent 6 years on the Executive Committee of a major commercial real estate service company focused primarily on Corporate Services. Prior to that, he spent 10 years in executive leadership positions at another corporate services company, where he was also a top producer company wide.

Rosenthal previously held executive leadership positions of increasing responsibility for 3 other commercial real estate organizations primarily in Corporate Services and began his real estate career as the Assistant Treasurer/Manager of Real Estate for a major human resources outsourcing organization.

#### **About FirstService Real Estate Advisors**

FirstService Real Estate Advisors (“FirstService REA”) is the emerging leader in the global professional services industry. As the fastest growing and fourth largest commercial real estate services firm in the world, FirstService REA has strategically integrated industry leading service providers in key areas of specialization to deliver consistent and measurable results for occupiers, developers and investors in real estate. FirstService REA operates in 37 countries around the world. In North America, FirstService REA provides services through the leading real estate brands; FirstService REA, Colliers International, FirstService Williams, PGP Valuation, PKF Hospitality, and MHPM Project Leaders.

#### **About FirstService Corporation**

FirstService Corporation (NASDAQ: FSRV; TSX: FSV and FSV.PR.U) is a global diversified leader in the rapidly growing property services sector, providing services in the following three areas: commercial real estate, residential property management; and property services. The industry-leading service platform includes: FirstService Real Estate Advisors, the fourth largest global player in commercial real estate services; FirstService Residential Management, the largest manager of residential communities in North America; and TFC, North America’s largest provider of property services through franchise and contractor networks.

FirstService generates more than US\$1.7 billion in annualized revenues and has more than 18,000 employees worldwide. More information about FirstService is available at [www.firstservice.com](http://www.firstservice.com).

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