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**JAMES PHILLIPS, DISTINGUISHED BUSINESSMAN AND SPEAKER,
HOLDS DEGREES IN ACCOUNTING, MBA IN CORPORATE MANAGEMENT
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PRESIDENT & CEO, 1992 TO PRESENT, CAN/AM BORDER TRADE ALLIANCE (CAN/AM BTA). THE CANADIAN/AMERICAN BORDER TRADE ALLIANCE, FORMED IN 1992, IS A TRANSCONTINENTAL, BI-NATIONAL, BROAD BASED ORGANIZATION WITH PARTICIPATION FROM ALL 27 STATES (WASHINGTON TO MAINE INCLUDING ALASKA) ON OR NEAR THE U.S./CANADA BORDER AND THE CANADIAN PROVINCES. THE COMBINED NETWORK INVOLVES OVER 60,000 COMPANIES AND ORGANIZATIONS IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIPS. CAN/AM BTA PARTICIPANTS INCLUDE MEMBERS FROM BORDER TRADE, BORDER CROSSING AND TRANSPORTATION SEGMENTS INCLUDING PRODUCERS, SHIPPERS, BROKERS, MODE TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS, BRIDGE AND TUNNEL OPERATORS, CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, BUSINESS AND TRADE CORRIDOR ASSOCIATIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. THE CAN/AM BTA'S MAJOR FOCUS AREAS ARE TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, BORDER MANAGEMENT AND VISITATION.

THERE ARE A NUMBER OF EFFECTIVE, COOPERATIVE, MAJOR MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL TRADE CORRIDOR INITIATIVES CONNECTING U.S./CANADA. CAN/AM BTA MEMBERS ARE KEY PARTICIPANTS IN EACH.

HE IS PAST PRESIDENT OF GENERAL ABRASIVE, WHERE HE SERVED AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE, AND VICE PRESIDENT IN CHARGE OF OPERATIONS OF THE CANADIAN SUBSIDIARY, GENERAL ABRASIVE (CANADA) LIMITED. PRIOR TO HIS EMPLOYMENT AT GENERAL ABRASIVE, HE WAS CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF THE PIGMENTS DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY.

HE WAS APPOINTED BY THE SENATE MAJORITY AND THE GOVERNOR TO THE NEW YORK STATE SUPERFUND MANAGEMENT BOARD. HE WAS ELECTED TO THE MARQUIS "WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN BUSINESS IN THE EAST" ; "WHO'S WHO IN FINANCE AND INDUSTRY" AND "WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA". APPEARED ON TELEVISION AND RADIO IN VARIOUS FORMATS AS A SPOKESPERSON FOR BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY.

MR. PHILLIPS HAS RECEIVED A NUMBER OF AWARDS IN RECOGNITION FOR HIS SUCCESSFUL LEADERSHIP IN BUSINESS AND WAS AWARDED THE PRESTIGIOUS DRESSER GOLD MEDAL FOR THE MOST INNOVATIVE AND CREATIVE CONTRIBUTION TO TECHNOLOGY FOR HIS PATENTED FURNACE PLANT DESIGN. HE WAS PRESENTED WITH THE BUSINESS COUNCIL OF NEW YORK STATE AWARD BY THE GOVERNOR.