



Hercules Technology Growth Capital's Manuel Henriquez and David Lund to Present at the Eighth Annual JMP Securities Research Conference

Palo Alto, Calif., May 11, 2009 – Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc. (NASDAQ: HTGC), the leading specialty finance company providing venture debt and equity to venture capital and private equity backed technology and life science companies at all stages of development, today announced that Manuel A. Henriquez, co-founder, chairman and chief executive officer, and David M. Lund, chief financial officer, will present at the Eighth Annual JMP Securities Research Conference, May 18-20, 2009, in San Francisco.

Hercules' executives are scheduled to present on May 18 at 1:30 p.m. PDT at the Ritz-Carlton. Additionally, the event will be webcast live via the following link: <http://www.wsw.com/webcast/jmp8/htgc/>. This is the third consecutive year in which the company has participated in the annual conference, which provides a discussion forum, enabling management teams of premier companies, institutional investors and buy-side professionals to engage in meaningful dialogue.

JMP Securities' equity research coverage encompasses six broad industries—technology, health care, consumer, real estate, financial services and business services. This year's event will showcase more than 200 small- and mid-cap public companies as well as a selection of leading private companies.

About Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc.:

Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc. is a NASDAQ traded specialty finance company providing debt and equity growth capital to technology and life science companies at all stages of development. Founded in December 2003, the company primarily finances privately held companies backed by leading venture capital and private equity firms. Hercules invests in a broad range of ventures active in technology and life science industries and offers a full suite of growth capital products at all levels of the capital structure. The company is headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif. and has additional offices in the Boston, Boulder and Chicago areas. Providing capital to publicly-traded or privately-held companies backed by leading venture capital and private equity firms involves a high degree of credit risk and may result in potential losses of capital. For more information, please visit www.HTGC.com.

Companies interested in learning more about financing opportunities should contact info@htgc.com, or call 650.289.3060.

Forward-Looking Statements:

The statements contained in this release that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements including, without limitation, the risks, uncertainties, including the uncertainties surrounding the current market turbulence, and other factors we identify from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Although we believe that the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are reasonable, any of those assumptions could prove to be inaccurate and, as a result, the forward-looking statements based on those assumptions also could be incorrect. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements contained in this release are made as of the date hereof, and Hercules assumes no obligation to update the forward-looking statements for subsequent events.

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