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### ***SMS Joins RCS to Form Leading SNF Respiratory & Oxygen Supplier***

Milwaukee-based Specialized Medical Services, Inc. (SMS) has joined forces with Indianapolis-based RCS Management Corporation (RCS). Both companies provide respiratory equipment, oxygen and related products and services to nursing homes and hospices throughout the U.S. The combination establishes the largest provider in the nation, covering more than 40 states and nearly 1,800 facilities, including 12 of the 20 largest nursing home chains in the country.

Clients will benefit greatly from the acquisition, as the combined entity will increase its ability to assist them in managing their equipment and oxygen needs. The new Company will offer the best IT and reporting systems and the broadest array of services in the industry, including respiratory equipment, comprehensive oxygen services, disposable supplies, along with clinical, billing and consulting services.

The Company will combine two strong management teams with Steve Marshall from SMS serving as CEO of the combined company, Jim Smith of RCS serving as President and COO, and David Beck of SMS serving as CFO.

“We are very pleased with this transaction,” said Marshall. “The combined resources and talent at SMS and RCS will give customers across the country the ability to retain one provider for all of their respiratory-related needs –including the ability to leverage the combined company’s expertise in billing and clinical support. In addition, the Company will continue to expand its growing offering in to the hospice market. We have a great opportunity with the merging of these two companies, and I’m looking forward to keep growing as a bigger and better combined entity.”

“Both companies share a commitment to superior customer service and to work closely with our customers to help them manage the complexities of the billing, clinical and cost elements of their businesses,” added Jim Smith. “We believe our combined company will be the leader in the industry in this respect.”

As a result of this transaction, both SMS and RCS will be majority-owned by The Riverside Company, a Cleveland, OH based private equity firm.