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Mr. Rooter® Franchise Owners Recognized with Company Awards

WACO, Texas (July 22, 2008) – The Mr. Rooter Corporation recently honored an elite group of franchisees and team members during the company’s international convention in Grapevine, Texas.

This year’s award recipients include:

Franchisee of the Year

- Paul Chierichetti of the *Mr. Rooter* of Josephine and Jackson Counties franchise

Woman of the Year

- Saunda Kitchen of the *Mr. Rooter* of Sonoma County franchise

Excellence in Leadership

- John and Maureen Romney of the *Mr. Rooter* of Calgary franchise in Canada

Excellence in Mentoring

- Saunda and Paul Kitchen of the *Mr. Rooter* of Sonoma County franchise

Sales Leader of the Year (population over 500,000)

- John and Tammy Akhoian of the *Mr. Rooter* franchises in Sun Valley, San Jose and Tucson

Sales Leader of the Year (population under 500,000)

- Paul and Saunda Kitchen of the *Mr. Rooter* of Sonoma County franchise

Rookie of the Year

- Justin and Jay Ullom of the *Mr. Rooter* of Central Indiana franchise

Service Leader of the Year

- Cory Harding of the *Mr. Rooter* of Tucson franchise

Technician of the Year

- Aaron Hennagin of the *Mr. Rooter* of Contra Costa and Solano Counties franchise

Office Professional of the Year

- Michele Brown of the *Mr. Rooter* of Northern Wisconsin franchise

“It’s exciting to recognize these franchisees and team members because they go the extra mile to strengthen our *Mr. Rooter* brand,” said Mary Kennedy Thompson, president of the Mr. Rooter Corporation. “They provide professional and customer-focused plumbing services to their communities as well as give their time, energy and support to the entire *Mr. Rooter* network.”

About Mr. Rooter®:

Established in 1970, *Mr. Rooter* is the largest all-franchised, full-service plumbing and drain cleaning company in the world with approximately 300 franchises worldwide. Recognized by Entrepreneur magazine among its “Franchise 500” and Franchise Times Top 200, *Mr. Rooter* franchisees provide services to both residential and commercial customers. *Mr. Rooter* began franchising in 1974 and is a subsidiary of The Dwyer Group, Inc. For more information or to find the location nearest you, please visit our Web site at www.mrrooter.com.

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