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CWT and MasterCard Worldwide Launch Enhanced Travel Data Solution

Last October, MasterCard Worldwide and CWT launched a global, card-based enhanced data program to help corporate travel buyers more effectively manage their travel program. CWT clients who pay with MasterCard commercial cards have access to more robust data that integrates information from their travel program such as policy rules, itineraries and accounting codes with actual expenditures on a global, regional or country level.



This combination enables travel buyers to more easily reconcile expenses charged to their central travel accounts, aggregate greater amounts of data for supplier negotiations and better track travel policy compliance. The solution is currently available in Australia, China, Singapore and 13 European markets (Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom). Other countries will be added in the future.

CWT Named Among "Green Achievers" in Business Travel

CWT was among the winners of the new Project ICARUS awards organized by the U.K.-based Institute of Travel Management (ITM) to recognize environmental achievements by suppliers from the business travel industry. Announced last October, the winners in each category were: Apex Hotels (Hotels), Carbon Consulting (Technology), Carlson Wagonlit Travel (Agency), Radio Taxis (Ground Transportation), EasyJet (Air) and Virgin Trains (Rail). Suppliers were asked to explain their products and services, tell how they helped buyers reduce carbon dioxide emissions, indicate what they were doing internally to reduce their carbon footprint and provide case study evidence.

CWT presented its range of carbon management solutions, including a carbon calculator, post-trip carbon reporting and future offsetting services, as well as environmental initiatives carried out by employees adhering to an in-house "green charter." ITM executive director Paul Tilstone commented: "Many suppliers are just getting to grips with creating solutions to address market needs, and all of the winners should be commended for their actions."

CWT Voted Best Corporate Travel Agency in Asia Pacific

CWT was voted Best Corporate Travel Agency in Asia Pacific in the 18th annual TTG Travel Awards 2007, organized by TTG Asia Media, publishers of the region's leading travel trade newspapers and magazines. TTG readers, who include hoteliers, airline staff, car rental companies, GDS companies and other travel professionals, voted for CWT based on the following criteria: professionalism and excellence in staff, best value-added services for clients and the best application of computer technology for improving efficiency and effectiveness in client services. CWT is the number one travel management company in the Asia-Pacific region, with 3,100 employees and total sales volume of US\$2.7 billion in 2007. ■