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## NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### IMA Recognizes Top Performers on the 2005 CMA and CFM Exams

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**Montvale, N.J., November, 2005** – The Institute of Management Accountants (IMA) today announced it has recognized 17 IMA members with awards for their superior scores on the Certified Management Accountant (CMA) and Certified Financial Manager (CFM) examinations during summer 2005.

“We here at the IMA are very pleased to congratulate these outstanding professionals,” said Paul Sharman, IMA’s president and CEO. “The commitment shown by these individuals is another example of the excellence that we hope our candidates achieve.”

Gold, silver and bronze medals were awarded to the individuals who received the top three scores on the CMA and CFM exams. IMA also recognized the college student who earned the highest score on the CMA exam with the Student Performance Award. Certificates of Distinguished Performance were awarded to ten individuals in recognition of their excellent performance on the CMA and CFM exams.

The medals for the highest scorers on the CMA exam are sponsored by Procter & Gamble, and the medals for the highest scorers on the CFM exam are sponsored by Johnson & Johnson.

#### **Winners of the CMA and CFM Professional Certification Awards**

*CMA Gold Medal*

Mr. Stephen Mezzasalma of Highland Mills, NY

*CFM Gold Medal*

Mr. Michael M. Wong of San Francisco, CA

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### *CMA Silver Medal*

Mr. Dean Perry of Yardley, PA

### *CFM Silver Medal*

Mr. Chenlia Xu of Shanghai, People's Republic of China

### *CMA Bronze Medal*

Mr. Alexander Basilia of Silver Spring, MD

### *CFM Bronze Medal*

Ms. Xiaohuan Wu of Winston-Salem, NC

## **CMA Student Performance Award**

Mr. Meng Yan of North York, Canada

## **Certificates of Distinguished Performance For the CMA**

Mr. Chad D. Winward of Chubbuck, ID; Mr. Jing Zhou of Austin, TX; Mr. Rodrigo Lombello of North Bay Village, FL; Mr. Timothy E. Messenger of Loveland, CO and Mr. Dan Jian of Guangdong, People's Republic of China.

## **Certificates of Distinguished Performance For the CFM**

Ms. Marva J. Tarver of Iving, TX; Ms. Shu Chi Huang of Taipei, Republic of China; Mr. Tim V. Stageberg of Denver, CO; Mr. Lee S. Bertrand of San Bernardino, CA; Mr. Takanao Tamai of Tokyo, Japan.

## **About the CMA**

The CMA designation provides professionals with an objective measure of knowledge and competence in the field of managerial finance and accounting. CMA exam topics include economics, business finance, situational analysis and decision making, with a strong emphasis on ethics. Combined with relevant rule-based subject matter, the four-tiered exam is designed to develop and measure critical thinking and decision-making skills.

## **About the CFM**

The CFM program provides professionals involved with corporate cash management, financing and investment decisions, and risk management with a means for further demonstrating an expanded skill set. The exam provides an in-depth measure of competence in areas such as financial statement analysis, working capital policy, capital structure, valuation issues and risk management.

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### **About The Institute of Management Accountants (IMA)**

With a worldwide network of 70,000 professionals, IMA is the world's leading organization dedicated to empowering managerial finance and accounting professionals to participate within their organizations to create economic value. Through certification, continuing education, thought leadership, networking, and advocacy of the highest ethical and professional practices, IMA equips financial management and management accounting professionals to create value and build quality financial practices into their organizations, helping to ultimately rebalance the accountancy profession. For more information about IMA or the CMA/CFM Certification programs, visit [www.imanet.org](http://www.imanet.org).

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