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Payment Alliance International Recognized as a Fast Fifty Company
Honored by Business First of Louisville for second time

LOUISVILLE, KY (December 3, 2010) – For the second time in as many years, Payment Alliance International (PAI) has been recognized as a Fast Fifty Company by *Business First* of Louisville. Each year this prestigious award is presented to Louisville’s 50 fastest growing, independent, for profit, and privately held companies that have realized at least \$1 million in annual revenue for each of the last three years. Founded in late 2005, PAI is honored to be ranked 31st on this year’s list of companies that are truly making an impact to the community – and at such a rapid pace.

Payment Alliance International’s CEO and President, John Leehy III, attributes the company’s continued success to its nationwide team of dedicated employees and unique suite of payment processing solutions. “To be successful in these tough economic times, companies have to be stronger, smarter, and more innovative than ever before.” Leehy said. “PAI is blessed with an outstanding team of dedicated people who are committed to finding ways to make good things happen for the customers we serve. PAI clients get the best that our team has to offer and the results of that dedication are realized each and every day”.

Now, with more than 80,000 customers, PAI continues its exciting growth and an expansion through both sales and acquisitions. Recently, the company announced that it has more than 50,000 ATMs in its nationwide network, making it the largest ATM deployer in North America. Leehy also stated “PAI remains committed to managed growth that maximizes the company’s earnings and ROI, while striving to insulate its partners and customers from market risks.”

This is the 11th year for this elite award from *Business First* where companies are recognized and listed in order of their growth rate. PAI’s progress to date has been phenomenal, and the many successes they’ve achieved have allowed them to make the Fast Fifty list for the two consecutive years in which they were eligible.

Business First honored the Fast Fifty Companies with a luncheon at the Kentucky International Convention Center. Nearly 500 people attended the annual event, which featured Louisville Metro Mayor Jerry Abramson as guest speaker.

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Payment Alliance International (PAI) is a leading provider of payment processing solutions for businesses nationwide. We offer credit card, check processing, ATM network management, and business information services, all designed to maximize customer success and make business easy. PAI is based in Louisville, KY., with offices in West Palm Beach, FL., Jackson, MS., and Billings, MT. For more information, please visit www.GoPAI.com.