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Foundations Bank is SBA's Newest PLP Lender in Wisconsin

Pewaukee: On Friday, August 29, 2008, President/CEO Greg Kolton was presented with a PLP plaque by SBA District Director Eric Ness in recognition of Foundations Bank attaining Preferred Lender status with the Small Business Administration. Additional attendees at the presentation were Foundations Bank Executive Vice President, Heidi Kolton, First Vice President Christopher Brock and SBA Business Development Specialist Mary Trimmier.

The Preferred Lenders Program (PLP) is another step in SBA's process of "streamlining" the procedures necessary to provide financial assistance to the small business community. Under PLP, SBA delegates loan approval, closing, and most servicing and liquidation authority and responsibility to these carefully selected lenders. They are also required to have the ability to develop and analyze complete loan packages and a satisfactory performance history with SBA. Foundations is one of these selected lenders.

"The PLP program provides us an additional enhanced tool to assist small businesses in their start-up and growth plans," says Foundations President and CEO Greg Kolton. "We are delighted to partner with SBA in this economic development effort."

Foundations Bank is committed to making a real difference for its customers and the community. They strengthen the local commerce and job growth by helping individuals and businesses achieve their financial goals. Foundations provides hand-crafted financial solutions to help customers make more money. They also pair each customer with a retail or commercial private banker who is responsible for helping them succeed and guide them through a five-step process for building a solid financial foundation. In essence, a private banker.

"We are pleased to congratulate Foundations Bank for attaining Preferred Lenders Program (PLP) status," says SBA Wisconsin District Director Eric Ness. "Through utilization of the PLP program, Foundations will be able to respond faster to small businesses requests for SBA guaranteed financing."

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