



## **Risk Management Expert Bjorn Pettersen Joins CRA International as Vice President in Firm's Finance Practice; Expert Recognized for Developing Industry Leading Risk Management Methodologies**

May 8, 2006

BOSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 8, 2006--CRA International, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRAI), a worldwide leader in providing economic, financial, and management consulting services, today announced that Bjorn Pettersen has joined CRA as a Vice President in the firm's Finance practice.

Bjorn comes to CRA from BearingPoint (formerly KPMG Consulting) where he served as Partner and Managing Director of the firm's North America Risk Management practice. At BearingPoint, Bjorn was responsible for building an industry leading risk management consulting practice with world-class expertise in areas such as enterprise risk management, risk adjusted performance measures (RAPM), a broad range of regulatory initiatives, and point solutions for market, credit, and operational risk.

CRA International President and CEO James C. Burrows said, "On the strength of his industry expertise, Bjorn Pettersen will play an instrumental role in expanding CRA's existing risk management service offerings. We look forward to leveraging his deep experience to strengthen CRA's capabilities and reputation in the marketplace for delivering leading edge risk management strategies and solutions."

With more than 15 years of relevant experience, Bjorn has published numerous risk management white papers and is a frequent speaker on the subject of Enterprise Risk Management, Market, Credit and Operational Risk, as well as regulatory compliance.

### About CRA

Founded in 1965, CRA International is a leading provider of economic and financial expertise and management consulting services. Working with businesses, law firms, accounting firms, and governments, CRA is the preferred consulting firm for complex assignments with pivotal and high-stakes outcomes. The firm is distinguished by a unique combination of credentials: deep vertical experience in a variety of industries; broad horizontal expertise in a range of functional disciplines; and rigorous economic, financial, and market analysis. CRA offers a proven track record of thousands of successful engagements in regulatory and litigation support, business strategy and planning, market and demand forecasting, policy analysis, and engineering and technology management. Headquartered in Boston, the firm has more than a dozen offices within the United States and ten offices in Canada, Europe, the Middle East, and the Asia Pacific region. Detailed information about CRA is available at [www.crai.com](http://www.crai.com).

Statements in this press release concerning CRA's hiring of Bjorn Pettersen may be considered "forward-looking" statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements are based on management's current expectations and are subject to a number of factors and uncertainties. Information contained in these forward-looking statements is inherently uncertain, and actual performance and results may differ materially. Such factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from any forward-looking statements made by the Company include, among others, acquisition costs, dependence on key personnel, attracting and retaining qualified consultants, dependence on outside experts, intense competition, and professional liability. Further information on factors that could affect CRA's financial results is included in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CONTACT: CRA International  
James Burrows, 617-425-3700  
President and CEO

or  
Sharon Merrill Associates, Inc.  
Jim Buckley, 617-542-5300  
Executive Vice President

SOURCE: CRA International, Inc.