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Participate in engaging Q&A sessions with the Forum’s CEO, Faculty and other top-level experts.

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Share ideas, develop leads to expand your market, and build your business through strategic alliances.

**Wednesday, December 5, 2012**
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David Jones
President & CEO, Peak 10

David co-founded Peak 10 in March of 2000 and has led the company to a top market position as a leading independent data center, managed services, and cloud computing solutions provider in the United States. As the company’s President and Chief Executive Officer, David has assembled a talented management team which has worked together to build one of the industry’s strongest operating cultures and financial performers. Peak 10 is positioned with a solid forecast for long-term growth and profitability as the company continues to expand existing data centers, cloud computing infrastructure and enter into new markets. Peak 10 was named to Inc. Magazine’s annual ranking of the 500 fastest-growing private companies in the country for the last two consecutive years and the Company has been voted one of the top 10 Best Places to Work by the Charlotte Business Journal for the last three years.

Danny Morrison
President, Carolina Panthers

Danny Morrison was named President of the Carolina Panthers September 2, 2009, but his association with the organization began many years earlier when he oversaw the implementation of the team’s training camp at Wofford College. Prior to joining the Panthers, Morrison was in his fifth year as Director of Athletics at Texas Christian University. Morrison’s relationship with the Panthers began in the team’s inaugural 1995 season at Wofford College. As Director of Athletics he oversaw a fundraising effort that enabled the school to refurbish its facilities to host an NFL training camp. In August the Panthers completed their 15th year at Wofford and the training camp is regarded among the best in the NFL. Prior to going to TCU in 2005 Morrison was the Panthers’ Director of Athletics from 1995-2005. Morrison was in his fifth year as Director of Athletics at TCU when he oversaw the implementation of the team’s training camp at Wofford College. Morrison’s relationship with the Panthers began in the team’s inaugural 1995 season at Wofford College. As Director of Athletics he oversaw a fundraising effort that enabled the school to refurbish its facilities to host an NFL training camp. In August the Panthers completed their 15th year at Wofford and the training camp is regarded among the best in the NFL. Prior to going to TCU in 2005 Morrison was the Panthers’ Director of Athletics from 1995-2005.

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