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RA Capital Advisors LLC is pleased to announce that Maxim Systems, Inc. will be acquired by Accenture. RA Capital served as Maxim Systems' advisor in this transaction. Please see the press release below for further information.

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### Accenture to Acquire Defense Consulting Firm MAXIM Systems, Inc.

RESTON, Va; Nov. 15, 2007 -- Accenture (NYSE: ACN) has agreed to acquire MAXIM Systems, Inc., an employee-owned defense consulting firm that provides advanced engineering and technical services in the areas of command and control, multi-level security and satellite communications. Terms of the deal were not disclosed.

MAXIM Systems, based in San Diego, Calif., designs, develops, installs and supports systems for C4ISR — which stands for Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance — for military and intelligence agencies. C4ISR systems are used in battlefield activities such as joint command and control, which is the directing of necessary personnel and equipment to accomplish missions.

The acquisition will further expand Accenture's defense practice in the U.S. military market for command and control systems, which use data collection, processing and analysis to help military commanders maintain situational awareness on the battlefield, examine options in real-time, and implement their courses of action.

Once the acquisition has closed, MAXIM Systems' approximately 135 employees are expected to join Accenture, with its CEO, Jim Wangler, serving in a leadership role with Accenture's Public Service operating group, as part of Accenture National Security Services LLC.

"MAXIM Systems possesses unique capabilities in C4ISR that will further enhance our existing defense industry capabilities," said Eric Stange, managing director of Accenture's U.S. Defense practice. "Along with our other recent acquisitions of the George Group and Gestalt, this acquisition will enable Accenture to penetrate deeper into C4ISR, a key strategic growth area. Our vision is to provide new levels of service and leading-edge practices that support our defense clients in the mission space and help them to achieve high performance."

MAXIM Systems offers a wide range of services and capabilities to its U.S. Department of Defense clients. For the U.S. Navy, MAXIM Systems delivers space and communications systems that support Ultra High Frequency (UHF) satellite programs. MAXIM Systems also supports the Combined Enterprise Regional Information Exchange System (CENTRIXS), a secure wide area network that allows the United States and more than 30 coalition nations to share intelligence and other operational information necessary to unify efforts.

"MAXIM's work with intelligence services, the U.S. Navy and other key defense organizations has earned us a solid reputation for C4ISR security and technology work," said MAXIM Systems CEO Jim Wangler. "We look forward to integrating seamlessly within Accenture's Defense practice and helping to broaden Accenture's capabilities in C4ISR."

The acquisition is subject to customary closing conditions and is expected to close in approximately 30 days.