

## ***Inc.* Magazine Unveils Its Annual Exclusive List of America's Fastest-Growing Private Companies—the Inc.500|5000**

### **Coral Gables-based Suncoast Capital Group Ranks No. 1480 on the 2011 Inc. 500|5000 List; No. 74 in the Financial Services Industry List**

**Coral Gables, Florida – August 24, 2011** – Suncoast Capital Group, an investment firm focusing primarily on FDIC insured certificates of deposit for both institutional and retail investors, is proud to announce that it has been ranked by *Inc.* magazine no. 1480 on its fifth annual Inc. 500|5000, an exclusive ranking of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. The announcement was issued in New York on Tuesday, August 23. The list represents the most comprehensive look at the most important segment of the economy—America's independent entrepreneurs. Online retailer ideeli tops this year's list. Suncoast Capital Group joins Spirit Airlines, television maker Vizio, Honest Tea, Dunkin Donuts and Metrokane, makers of the Rabbit corkscrew, among other prominent brands featured on this year's list.

Suncoast Capital Group, celebrating its five-year anniversary this year, had a three-year sales growth of 189%. In addition, the Coral Gables-based firm ranked number 74 in the nation in the Financial Services Industry list, making it the second highest ranked company in the Industry in Miami-Dade County. Tony Romero, Chief Executive Officer of Suncoast Capital Group states, "It's an honor to be considered one of America's fastest growing private companies, especially in a time where no one was immune to the market conditions. To have achieved growth in the past five years validates the foundation of our company, placing the importance of building relationships with our clients, with the highest level service to deliver the solutions they need when they need them."

In a stagnant economic environment, median growth rate of 2011 Inc. 500|5000 companies remains an impressive 94 percent. The companies on this year's list report having created 350,000 jobs in the past three years, and aggregate revenue among the honorees reached \$366 billion, up 14 percent from last year.

Complete results of the Inc. 5000, including company profiles and an interactive database that can be sorted by industry, region, and other criteria, can be found at [www.inc.com/5000](http://www.inc.com/5000).

"Now, more than ever, we depend on Inc. 500/5000 companies to spur innovation, provide jobs, and drive the economy forward. Growth companies, not large corporations, are where the action is," says *Inc.* magazine Editor Jane Berentson.

#### **Methodology**

The 2011 Inc. 500 is ranked according to percentage revenue growth when comparing 2007 to 2010. To qualify, companies must have been founded and generating revenue by March 31, 2007. Additionally, they had to be U.S.-based, privately held, for profit, and independent—not subsidiaries or divisions of other companies—as of December 31, 2010. (Since then, a number of companies on the list have gone public or been acquired.) The minimum revenue required for 2007 is \$100,000; the minimum for 2010 is \$2 million. As always, *Inc.* reserves the right to decline applicants for subjective reasons. Companies on the Inc. 500 are featured in *Inc.*'s September issue. They represent the top tier of the Inc. 5000, which can be found at [www.inc.com/500](http://www.inc.com/500).

#### **About Suncoast Capital Group**

Suncoast Capital Group is a Coral Gables-based investment firm focusing primarily on FDIC insured certificates of deposit (CD). The firm serves a diverse national client base of both institutional and retail investors helping them achieve their liquidity and CD investment needs, placing over \$1 billion in CDs since inception in 2006. For more information, please visit [www.sccginc.com](http://www.sccginc.com).

## **About *Inc.* Magazine**

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