H&R Block Offers Emerald Advance of up to \$1,000 to Qualified Applicants

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Consumers Can Apply for Year-Round Line of Credit to Use as They Need It

KANSAS CITY, MO -- (Marketwired) -- 11/23/15 -- The H&R Block Emerald Advance®(1), a year-round line of credit, is now available for qualified applicants who apply at participating H&R Block (NYSE: HRB) offices. Approved applicants are eligible for a credit limit between \$350 and \$1,000.

"H&R Block's Emerald Advance allows consumers to have access to a year-round line of credit for things they need," said Greg Steinlicht, vice president of H&R Block financial services. "When used with our Emerald Prepaid MasterCard[®], which recently was named the No. 2 overall prepaid card by a <u>leading consumer group and publication</u>, and our award-winning <u>Emerald Card Mobile BankingTM app</u>, consumers can achieve greater financial freedom."

The <u>H&R Block Emerald Advance</u>® offers consumers the ability to repeatedly borrow and repay money, with one of the key benefits being that they pay only the interest charges on the amount borrowed. The maximum credit limit for individual applicants is determined by the bank after the application is approved.

To apply for the Emerald Advance, current H&R Block clients need to bring a current earnings statement, a valid, unexpired government-issued photo identification card (e.g., a driver's license) and their H&R Block Emerald Prepaid MasterCard[®] if they have one. New clients also must bring proof of their current address, which could be a recent bill or bank statement.

The balance of the line of credit is paid in monthly payments of \$25 or 4 percent of the outstanding balance, whichever is greater, and must be paid down to zero by February 15. Payments can be made by check, debit card or their H&R Block Emerald Prepaid MasterCard[®], and cash payments at various retail outlets. Though not available for monthly payments, clients who return to H&R Block for tax preparation may direct a portion of their tax refund to pay their balance down to zero.

For additional details, visit the <u>H&R Block Emerald Advance</u>® website or call 855-294-5827. Consumers can find an H&R Block location near them by calling 800-HRBLOCK or visiting <u>www.hrblock.com</u>.

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