

## **H&R Block COO to Give Presentation at Midwest Research Business Services and Software Conference**

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KANSAS CITY, Mo.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 29, 2003--H&R Block Inc. (NYSE:HRB) announced today that Jeff Yabuki, executive vice-president and chief operating officer, will discuss H&R Block's business strategy, the upcoming tax season, as well as short- and long-term financial targets for the company, at the Midwest Research Business Services and Software Conference, 1:30 p.m. (EST) November 4, at the Four Seasons Hotel in New York City.

A listen-only audio webcast of the conference will be available on <http://www.hrblock.com/about/investor>. To participate, click on the "Midwest Research Business Services Conference Presentation Webcast" icon and follow the instructions. Presentation materials will be available for viewing. Webcast participants are encouraged to log on 15 to 20 minutes in advance to ensure a good connection and software compatibility.

Replays of the audio webcast, including presentation, will be available until November 30, 2003 on the company's Web site at <http://www.hrblock.com/about/investor>.

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