

H&R Block Announces Organization Change

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KANSAS CITY, Mo.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 6, 2005--H&R Block Inc. (NYSE: HRB) today announced that Melanie K. Coleman, vice president and corporate controller, has decided to leave the company. Coleman has been designated as the controller for the new local telecommunications company expected to be spun off following the proposed merger of Spring Corp. and Nextel Communications.

Coleman, who joined H&R Block in 2002, will remain with the company through the end of July to ensure a smooth transition of Block's restatement of earnings and filing of the Form 10-K. The company plans to immediately begin a search for her replacement.

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