

## **H&R Block CEO to Present at William Blair Growth Stock Conference**

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KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jun 15, 2005 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- H&R Block Inc. (NYSE: HRB) announced today that Mark A. Ernst, chairman and chief executive officer, will discuss H&R Block's business strategy, the recent tax season results, as well as short- and long-term financial targets for the company, when he presents at the William Blair Growth Stock Conference, 2:30 p.m. (CDT), June 23, 2005, in Chicago.

Participants can access the listen-only audio webcast of the conference at <http://www.hrblock.com/about/investor/>. To participate, click on the "William Blair Growth Stock Conference" link. 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 will be available through Aug. 23, 2005, at <http://www.hrblock.com/about/investor/>.

### About H&R Block

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