

H&R Block CEO to Give Presentation at William Blair Growth Stock Forum

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KANSAS CITY, MO.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--June 16, 2004--H&R Block Inc. (NYSE:HRB) announced today that Mark Ernst, chairman and chief executive officer, will discuss H&R Block's business strategy, the recent tax season, as well as short and long-term financial targets for the company, at the William Blair Growth Stock Forum, Wednesday, June 23, 2004 at 2:20 p.m. CDT in Chicago.

Participants can access the listen-only audio webcast of the presentation at <http://www.hrblock.com/about/investor/>. To participate, click on the "William Blair Growth Stock Forum" 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 July 29, 2004 at <http://www.hrblock.com/about/investor/>.

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