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Touchstone Communities Names New COO, Senior VP of Development

SAN ANTONIO (January 20 , 2010) – Touchstone Communities, a growing provider of skilled nursing, rehabilitation, Alzheimer’s care and assisted living with facilities in Texas and Arizona, announced today that it has named Kellie Gundling as chief operations officer and Bryon Sehlke as senior vice president of development.

“We are proud to call Kellie and Bryon members of the Touchstone family and are excited to see how their knowledge and expertise will add to Touchstone’s success and continued growth,” Touchstone Communities CEO Stan Studer said. “The experience and passion they bring will be a true asset as we continue building our name and brand in the communities we serve.”

Gundling brings to Touchstone a strong background in the management and operational side of long-term care. She has been a licensed nursing facility administrator (LNFA) since 1986, spending the first 10 years of her career focused on skilled nursing before expanding her expertise to include assisted and independent living. Gundling uses her knowledge and service to lead and provide strategic support for all of Touchstone’s communities. She has served in a variety of capacities, including area manager of operations and vice president of operations that make her well-qualified for this position. Gundling has a Bachelor of Business Administration with an emphasis in human resource management and a Master of Health Administration.

Sehlke worked with Touchstone as a consultant before being named senior vice president of development. His efforts will be focused on the company’s development projects with an emphasis on building the company’s newest local community, The Enclave™. Sehlke has more than 15 years of financial and operations experience and has been involved in a variety of fundraising efforts, including public and private debt offerings and equity financing. Sehlke holds an engineering degree and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Texas at Austin.

Headquartered in San Antonio, Touchstone Communities provides the aging population with extensive health care services, including skilled-nursing care, assisted living, Alzheimer’s care and rehabilitative services. With more than 1,200 employees, Touchstone Communities independently owns nine communities in Texas including San Antonio, Brenham, Del Rio, LaVernia, Rockdale, Snyder, Pleasanton and two in Arizona, both in Prescott. Touchstone also manages Texas State Veterans Homes in Amarillo, Bonham, Floresville and Temple. For more information, visit

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