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***TRACS TOP TEN* RATING AWARDED TO ORANGE COUNTY INVESTMENT POOLS**

(Santa Ana, CA) – Orange County Treasurer Chriss W. Street announced today that the \$2.1 billion dollar Orange County Investment Pool and \$1.8 billion dollar Orange County Educational Investment Pool were among the ***TRACS Top Ten*** government pools based on annualized returns for 2008 according to *TRACS Financial Research*.

Orange County is the only county in the Country to have both a Standard & Poor’s AAAM rating and appear on the TRACS Top Ten list.*

“This was a difficult year for investors, and I’m pleased that we continue to be leaders in the area of municipal investing,” said Orange County Treasurer Chriss Street. “The taxpayers have a great investment team that takes pride in their research and investment process.”

<u>2008 ANNUALIZED RETURNS</u>		
<u>RANK</u>	<u>POOL NAME</u>	<u>ANNUALIZED RETURN</u>
1	Walla Walla County Investment Pool	3.76%
2	San Bernardino County Investment Pool	3.57%
3	San Diego County Investment Pool	3.44%
4	Oregon State Pool	3.26%
5	Utah Public Treasurers Investment Pool	3.25%
6	Orange County Investment Pool*	3.16%
7	California LAIF	3.15%
8	Orange County Educational Investment Pool*	3.11%
9	Idaho LGIP	2.95%
10	Virginia State Non-Arb Program SNAP	2.90%

Under the leadership of Chriss Street, the County investment portfolio has been restructured to concentrate on ultra conservative investments backed by the US government. The Orange County Treasurer’s office currently manages \$5.7 billion for the county, schools, cities and agencies.

TRACS Financial Research is an independent firm that monitors the monthly performance of state, county and local investment pools. For more information about TRACS contact: Jeffery Flynn, Chief Investment Strategist, (435) 901-8758 or jeff@tracsfinancial.com

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