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Old Country Buffet Restaurants Select Proprietary Oil Management System from Restaurant Technologies, Inc.

MINNEAPOLIS – (Dec. 7 , 2007) – Minneapolis-based Restaurant Technologies, Inc. (RTI), announced that OCB Purchasing Co., a subsidiary of Buffets, Inc., has selected its proprietary frying oil management system for installation in a phased roll-out to its more than 600 Old Country Buffet, HomeTown Buffet, Ryan’s and Fire Mountain restaurants nationwide. With these installations, RTI will also begin supplying the restaurants with its premium trans-fat free frying oils. RTI’s system for the transport, storing, handling and disposing of frying oils in foodservice operations translates to measurable cost and environmental benefits for its users. The company currently serves more than 15,000 foodservice operators across the country.

At the operator level, RTI’s MaxLife™ Total Oil Management Solution involves the installation of two space-conscious tanks in the customer’s kitchen – one for fresh oil, one for waste oil – and a locked outdoor fill box. Fresh and waste oil lines run to the tanks from the fill box, and to the fryer from the tanks. Employees no longer need to manually fill or empty fryers. Oil usage is remotely monitored by RTI through its Global Tier group, eliminating management time previously spent on this task and also eliminating errors in amounts ordered. RTI further improves results by operating within a HACCP-controlled process from the time the oil is placed in RTI’s tanker trucks to the time it is delivered to operators’ fryers. The oil is never exposed to air or to handling by employees, two elements that compromise oil quality. This process enhances the food safety of the oils and results in multiple environmental benefits.

Operators financially benefit from the system as a result of oil savings and the elimination of costs previously related to rendering, plumbing expenses caused by oil spills, cleaning supplies and labor.

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Buffets, Inc., the nation's largest steak buffet restaurant company, currently operates 662 restaurants in 39 states and franchises 17 buffet restaurants in seven states. The restaurants are principally operated under the Old Country Buffet®, HomeTown Buffet®, Ryan's® and Fire Mountain® brands. Buffets employs approximately 38,000 team members and serves approximately 200 million customers annually. The company is currently offering multiple unit area development agreements to experienced restaurant operators across Florida and several western states. For more information about the company, please visit www.Buffet.com, or www.Ryans.com.

Restaurant Technologies, Inc. (RTI) is a privately held, Minneapolis-based company providing oil management services to more than 15,000 national restaurant chains, independent operators, grocery delis, universities, hospitals and other foodservice outlets. Led by Jeff Kiesel, chief executive officer, RTI currently operates 36 depots across the United States and plans to add new markets in the coming years. The company this year acquired Global Tier, an information-utility and professional services firm that specializes in network-enabling equipment, targeted application development, data collection and data management. With annual growth rates of 50-percent since its founding, RTI's goal is to be the frying oil and oil management system of choice for foodservice operators nationally and internationally. For further information on the company, visit www.rti-inc.com.

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