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New Interactive Budgeting and Credit ‘Web Seminars’ Expand ACCC’s National Educational Offerings

Easy-to-Use Tool Allows Users Off-site Access

October 4, 2004—American Consumer Credit Counseling (ACCC) today announced the launch of its Budgeting and Credit ‘web seminars’, two interactive and convenient ways for consumers to take responsibility for their financial health. This is the first in a series of ‘web seminars’ planned by ACCC that will allow users the convenience of remote access.

This online budgeting resource helps users set both short and long-term financial goals and provides guidelines for personal money management including budgeting and credit card debt payment plans. In addition to its engaging video format, the seminar provides a budget work sheet that can be downloaded and is also available in a CD version. These resources supplement the online version, presenting participants with different learning styles the opportunity to fully comprehend applications.

The online credit web seminar provides consumers with the fundamental basics of understanding credit, types of credit, credit scoring and credit reporting and is available in a CD version.

“Our consumers can now discover the power and knowledge of money management from home, the office or even on a business trip,” said Steve Trumble, president of American Consumer Credit Counseling (ACCC). “Plans for upcoming, comprehensive web seminars will build on this idea and help people become or remain financially independent. We are very excited about using technology in this innovative way,” Trumble continued.

The complimentary ‘web seminars’ is viewable on the Windows Media Player. It is highly recommended that consumers access it from a high-speed Internet connection. System requirements are: High Speed Internet Access; Windows 98 SE, ME, 2000 or XP; Internet Explorer 5.0 or higher; and Windows Media Player. For individuals on a dial-up connection, ACCC provides a compressed web seminar. A PDF version of the presentations also is available so that these viewers can better follow along. To learn more about ACCC’s Web seminar or for enrollment, please visit:

[http://www.consumercredit.com/web_seminars .htm](http://www.consumercredit.com/web_seminars.htm).

American Consumer Credit Counseling (ACCC) is a national non-profit (501)(c3) organization specializing in professional education and credit counseling services. ACCC provides individuals with practical solutions for solving financial problems and recognizes that consumers’ financial difficulties are often not the result of poor spending habits but more frequently from extenuating circumstances beyond their control. ACCC strives to empower consumers to regain control of the quality of their lives through education and money management. ACCC’s experience has lead to success in serving thousands of consumers who are debt-free or on the road to financial independence. All of this information can be accessed through an online self-paced interactive money management certification program, Money, Debt and Credit that is free of charge. For more information please visit www.consumercredit.com