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Tony Petrillo Named General Manager of Arlington Park Racecourse

LOUISVILLE, Ken., Oct. 13, 2010 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Churchill Downs Incorporated ("CDI") (Nasdaq:CHDN) announced today that Tony Petrillo, Vice President, Facilities & Operations with 17 years of service at Arlington Park, has been promoted to General Manager of Arlington Park and will assume full operational control of the facility, effective immediately.

"This is my dream job and I'm very excited to get started," Petrillo said. "I've been a part of the Arlington Park team as well as a part of the racing and local community for many years and that's given me an understanding of what makes Arlington Park so special. I believe we've got a great future."

"Tony has earned this opportunity with the dedication and commitment he has shown to Arlington Park," said Bill Carstanjen, Chief Operating Officer of Churchill Downs Incorporated, the parent company of Arlington Park. "Tony will bring a renewed focus to delivering the very best racing and customer service experience to Arlington Park's patrons and fans."

Churchill Downs Incorporated ("CDI"), headquartered in Louisville, Ky., owns and operates four world renowned Thoroughbred racing facilities: Arlington Park in Illinois, Calder Casino and Race Course in Florida, Churchill Downs Race Track in Kentucky and Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots in Louisiana. CDI operates slot and gaming operations in Louisiana and Florida. CDI tracks are host to North America's most prestigious races, including the Arlington Million, the Kentucky Derby and the Kentucky Oaks, the Louisiana Derby and the Princess Rooney, along with hosting the Breeders' Cup World Championships for a record seventh time on Nov. 5-6, 2010 and eighth time on Nov. 4-5, 2011. CDI also owns off-track betting facilities, TwinSpires.com, Youbet.com and other advance-deposit wagering providers, United Tote, television production, telecommunications and racing service companies such as BRIS and a 50-percent interest in the national cable and satellite network HorseRacing TV, which supports CDI's network of simulcasting and racing operations, and entered into a definitive purchase agreement to acquire Harlow's Casino Resort & Hotel in Greenville, MS, on Sept. 13, 2010. CDI trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol CHDN and can be found at www.ChurchillDownsIncorporated.com.

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