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Francoise Gri, Manpower Inc. President of France, Named to Fortune's International 50 Most Powerful Women List

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MILWAUKEE, Oct 14, 2008 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Manpower Inc. (NYSE: MAN) is proud to announce that Francoise Gri, the company's President of France, has been named to Fortune magazine's "International 50 Most Powerful Women in Business" list for the fifth consecutive year.

This is Fortune's 11th annual list of the 50 most powerful women in international business who not only preside over huge businesses, but also stand out in what remain male-dominated industries. The magazine ranked honorees based on the size, importance and health of their companies in the global economy; their career momentum; and their cultural and social influence. By changing the face of international business, these women also are helping change the world. Gri is ranked 43rd on the 2008 list, which was revealed on 29 September.

"I am proud to be at the helm of an organization filled with many innovative global leaders, many of whom happen to be women. Francoise not only brings tremendous energy and creativity to her role as President of our largest and most influential single market, but also prominence as an internationally recognized leader in the business services industry," said Jeff Joerres, Manpower Inc. Chairman and CEO. "Being named to Fortune's prestigious list underscores her significant accomplishments."

Gri joined Manpower Inc. in February of 2007 as President of Manpower France. Generating over \$7 billion, more than a third of the global company's total revenue, she leads an organization of nearly 5,000 employees, across more than 1,100 offices serving over 90,000 clients annually. Gri has also launched a restructuring process that is vitally transforming Manpower France into a business which "Creates Employment Solutions" for both candidates and clients.

Since joining Manpower, Gri has been honored with the prestigious Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, which is the French equivalent of being knighted. Gri has also received the Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Merite, which is an Order of Chivalry awarded by the President of the French Republic. She serves as Vice-President of the French FACE Foundation (Foundation for Action to Combat Exclusion), a board director for Aker Yards Group and an active member of the Ethics Committee of the French Business Movement (MEDEF). Prior to joining Manpower, Gri worked for IBM where she served, most recently, as President and Director General of its French and North African divisions.

Celebrating 60 years in the changing world of work, Manpower's highest ranks are filled with trailblazing and contemporary women leaders. Today, as country managers, senior and executive vice presidents and board directors, women lead the way in many of Manpower's most influential management roles. Currently at Manpower, five out of 13 of the Executive Management Team and more than 40 percent of country managers worldwide are women. Within Manpower's operations in China, nearly 80 percent of all employees are women, including the managing director; and within U.S. operations, 70 percent of employees at the manager-level and above are women.

About Manpower Inc.

Manpower Inc. (NYSE: MAN) is a world leader in the employment services industry; creating and delivering services that enable its clients to win in the changing world of work. Celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2008, the \$21 billion company offers employers a range of services for the entire employment and business cycle including permanent, temporary and contract recruitment; employee assessment and selection; training; outplacement; outsourcing and consulting. Manpower's worldwide network of 4,500 offices in 80 countries and territories enables the company to meet the needs of its 400,000 clients per year, including small and medium size enterprises in all industry sectors, as well as the world's largest multinational corporations. The focus of Manpower's work is on raising productivity through improved quality, efficiency and cost-reduction across their total workforce, enabling clients to concentrate on their core business activities. Manpower Inc. operates under five brands: Manpower, Manpower Professional, Elan, Jefferson Wells and Right Management. More information on Manpower Inc. is available at <http://www.manpower.com>.

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