

Rent-A-Center Third Quarter 2003 Financial Results Conference Call to Be Broadcast Live Via the Web

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PLANO, Texas--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 24, 2003--Rent-A-Center, Inc. (NASDAQ/NNM:RCII) will broadcast its quarterly earnings conference call on Tuesday, October 28, 2003 at 10:45 AM ET over the Internet. This call will be held to discuss the earnings release that will be issued after the close of the market on Monday, October 27, 2003. Audio of the call will be broadcast live and will be available on the Investor Relations section of Rent-A-Center, Inc.'s website, located at http://investor.rentacenter.com

For those unable to attend the live broadcast, a replay will be available beginning October 28th at 1:45 PM ET. There is no charge to access this event.

Rent-A-Center, Inc., headquartered in Plano, Texas, currently operates 2,605 company-owned stores nationwide and in Puerto Rico. The stores generally offer high-quality, durable goods such as home electronics, appliances, computers, and furniture and accessories to consumers under flexible rental purchase arrangements that generally allow the customer to obtain ownership of the merchandise at the conclusion of an agreed-upon rental period. ColorTyme, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, is a national franchisor of 327 rent-to-own stores, 315 of which operate under the trade name of "ColorTyme," and the remaining 12 of which operate under the "Rent-A-Center" name.

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