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## Harland Clarke Corp. celebrates grand opening of new High Point facility, adds 80 employees to workforce

HIGH POINT, NC – Harland Clarke Corp. has recently added 80 jobs to its local workforce, is still adding positions, and currently has 280 employees in High Point.

The company made that announcement today as senior Harland Clarke representatives joined High Point officials to celebrate the grand opening of the company's new High Point check manufacturing facility. Harland Clarke is the nation's leading provider of solutions for approximately 15,000 financial institutions.

The company opened in High Point in May 2009 at 4475 Premier Dr. – moving 200 employees in phases from its previous facility nearby in the Piedmont Triad region.

The program included remarks from:

- **Chuck Dawson**, Harland Clarke CEO;
- **Dan Singleton**, Harland Clarke President and Chief Operation Officer;
- **Gary Gupton**, Vice President of Regional Operations – East Region, who also runs the new High Point facility; and
- **High Point Mayor Becky Smothers**.

Joining the Harland Clarke employees for the program, ribbon-cutting, and tour were officials from the City of High Point, the High Point Economic Development Corp., the High Point Chamber of Commerce, and the United Way of Greater High Point.

The new facility, with more than 135,000 square feet of space, more than doubles the square footage the company had at its previous location. The company will soon be manufacturing 100,000 check units per day in High Point.

“Harland Clarke is impressive,” said Loren Hill, president of the High Point Economic Development Corp., “for its customer focus, respect for its employees, and charitable culture. In its short time in High Point, the company has already met with representatives of the United Way of Greater High Point, for example, to plan a campaign. This company has immediately become an asset for the High Point community.”

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## About Harland Clarke Corp.

[www.harlandclarke.com](http://www.harlandclarke.com)

### **COMPANY DETAILS:**

- Harland Clarke Corp. is a leading provider of integrated payment solutions, marketing services, business solutions, security, and technology solutions.
- It serves approximately 15,000 financial institutions, as well as major investment firms, business-to-business clients, small businesses, and individual consumers.
- Its nearly 5,000 employees serve its customers from corporate headquarters in San Antonio, Texas; regional headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia; 14 order fulfillment facilities in the United States and Puerto Rico; and four contact centers in Texas, Utah and Arizona.
- Harland Clarke Corp. generated 2008 revenues of \$1.3 billion.
- It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Harland Clarke Holdings Corp., along with its sister companies, Scantron and Harland Financial Solutions. The holdings company generated 2008 revenues of \$1.8 billion.

### **HARLAND CLARKE--HIGH POINT DETAILS:**

- The company has operated in the Piedmont Triad region of North Carolina for 54 years; for 52 of those years, as Harland. In May 2007, the company was renamed Harland Clarke with the merger of John H. Harland Company and Clarke American Corp.
- The company relocated its Piedmont Triad facility to High Point earlier this year from a 68,000-square foot building at 700 Creek Ridge Road in nearby Greensboro. Harland Clarke's new facility at 4475 Premier Drive in High Point provides more than 135,000 square feet of space, more than doubling its square footage.
- The company will soon be manufacturing 100,000 check units per day in High Point.
- Approximately 200 Piedmont Triad employees moved to the new High Point facility. The company has added 80 new positions to its local workforce since May 2009 and will likely continue to grow over the next several months.
- The employee average tenure is 11.5 years. Two employees began with the company in 1967 and recently celebrated their 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversaries with the organization. Fifty-nine of the facility's employees have worked at three or more locations within the company; for one, High Point is his seventh company location.
- Persons interested in working for the local Harland Clarke facility should contact any office of the North Carolina Employment Security Commission. The High Point office is at 919 Phillips Ave., Suite 107; its phone number is 336-882-4141.

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