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ARCHSTONE CONSULTING EXPANDS WEST COAST PRACTICE

Names Former Deloitte Veteran as Principal

STAMFORD, CT and SEATTLE, WA / December 12, 2006 – Archstone Consulting, a rapidly growing strategy and operations management consulting firm, today announced that it has named industry veteran David Fitzpatrick as principal to its West Coast Strategy & Operations Practice. Based in Seattle, Washington, Mr. Fitzpatrick will be responsible for extending Archstone Consulting's strategic service offerings in the Aerospace, Automotive, Defense and other high engineering content industries.

David Fitzpatrick joins Archstone Consulting with more than 25 years of industry and consulting experience in operations strategy, product design and supply chain operations. Most recently, Mr. Fitzpatrick was a principal with Deloitte Consulting where he led various projects ranging from airline maintenance productivity enhancement to post merger integration strategies. He was also the founder and leader of Deloitte's Lean Enterprise and Six Sigma practices. Prior to joining Deloitte Consulting, Mr. Fitzpatrick held several senior level positions at The Boeing Company and was responsible for developing supply chain and performance monitoring systems for Asian aero-structure subcontractors. Mr. Fitzpatrick holds a Master of Science degree from MIT Sloan School, a Master of Business Administration degree from University of Puget Sound and a Bachelors of Business Administration from Pacific Lutheran University.

"We are thrilled to welcome David as we continue to grow our West Coast Strategy & Operations practice," commented Todd Lavieri, president and CEO. "His expertise and knowledge of the manufacturing industry will be extremely valuable in this high growth region and further strengthens our senior level advisory services to our clients."

About Archstone Consulting

Archstone Consulting is a rapidly growing, independent strategy and operations management consultancy. Archstone Consulting specializes in delivering strategic, operational, IT and CFO advisory services to consumer products, retail, life sciences, manufacturing, and services sectors. Archstone Consulting offers experienced support, efficient execution and measurable results. Headquartered in Stamford, Connecticut, the company has offices in Amsterdam, Chicago, London, New York, San Francisco and Toronto. For additional information, please visit the company's web site at <u>www.archstoneconsulting.com</u>.