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### PlanView makes deal with accounting giant; discount rates to Hispanic convention

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#### CONSULTING

PlanView signs agreement

Austin-based PlanView Inc. has reached a deal with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP that will take its project management software to a broader global market.

The agreement combines PlanView's ability to automate, analyze and repeat project management activities with the consulting and auditing expertise at Pricewaterhouse, the companies said.

The companies will jointly market their services to new and existing customers.

Pricewaterhouse offers consulting services designed to help companies better manage their processes and risk.

PlanView's software automates some of those services, particularly those related to a company's information technology programs.

PlanView, founded in 1989, has more than 350 customers in the United States and Europe. It employs about 225 people, including about 180 in Austin. The company expects to gain more worldwide exposure with Pricewaterhouse, one of the world's largest accounting firms.

#### CONVENTIONS

Hispanic Chamber discounts

The U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce has a discounted registration rate through Sunday for its 25th annual convention that will be held in Austin Sept. 15-18.

Registration will be \$100 less until the deadline for member, nonmember and international attendees. Student registration will be discounted \$35.

Individual event admissions also are discounted.



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More than 6,000 people are expected for the convention at the Austin Convention Center.

## INSURANCE

Citizens Inc. posts profit

Citizens Inc. said it swung to a profit in the second quarter, making \$885,000, or 2 cents a share, compared with a loss of \$34,000 in the same period of 2003.

Revenue for the insurance company fell from \$43.2 million a year earlier to \$41.9 million, but costs fell enough to generate the profit. Citizens said the revenue drop was associated with handing off its accident and health business to another carrier.

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