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KiMe Fund Announces New Board Member Appointment

Knoxville, Tenn., March 27, 2013 – The KiMe Fund, a fund of East Tennessee Foundation, announced the appointment of Staci Ferguson to its Advisory Board. Ms. Ferguson is the Founder and President of Restoration Services, Inc. (RSI), an environment restoration company in Oak Ridge, Tennessee started in 1996 as a woman-owned small business incorporating a family-oriented, values-based philosophy to clean up the environment and currently employs over 250 employees.

In 2010, Ms. Ferguson led the effort to establish the RSI Renewable Energy Division by leveraging RSI's extensive experience assessing and remediating contaminated sites. Most recently in 2012, RSI built Brightfield One, a 200 kW solar array, as the first phase of their brownfields to brightfields initiative to redevelop residually contaminated sites for solar energy generation.

"I am truly honored to have been chosen to serve on a board of such competent, sincere and highly motivated people. Combined with the vision and leadership that Steve brings, I feel this organization can, and will make meaningful gains toward the prevention and cure of neurological disorders," said Staci Ferguson.

RSI received the U.S. Department of Energy Woman-Owned Small Business Award in 2011, the U.S. Small Business Administration's 2012 Administrator's Award of Excellence and ranked within the top 25 of Outside Magazine's Best Places to Work in 2009 and 2012.

"We welcome Staci to our Board. She is a proven business leader who has generously given back to the community. Her business experience, community service and compassion will serve the KiMe Fund well as we pursue our mission of finding a cure for Parkinson's," said Steve Hodges, Founder and Chairman, KiMe Fund.

The KiMe Fund was established in 2010 through the East Tennessee Foundation (ETF), a 501(c) (3) nonprofit community foundation. "KiMe" is the founder's shorthand for his daughters Kim and Megan. It is symbolic of the drive to cure neurological disorders for the next generation of children everywhere.

To learn more about the KiMe Fund visit www.kimecnd.org or contact info@kimecnd.org.

About East Tennessee Foundation

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