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## **NO LIMITS ON UTILITIES TO ACHIEVE AND EXCEL AT THE UPCOMING ACLARA CLIENT CONFERENCE**

ST. LOUIS – April 28, 2011 – The annual Aclara Client Conference, being held May 9-12 at the Renaissance Hotel and Suites in Nashville, Tenn., will provide almost 650 gas, water and electric utility attendees the opportunity to learn about new Aclara solutions for advanced metering, network with peers and industry colleagues, and help drive Aclara’s product planning. This is the first time in the conference’s 12-year history that it is being held in Nashville, home to the Country Music Hall of Fame, and a hub for pop, rock, bluegrass, jazz, classical, contemporary Christian, blues, and soul music.

This year, “No Limits” is the central theme of the conference. Retired Navy Captain Charlie Plumb, a former prisoner of war in Vietnam and one of the top 10 sought-after speakers in the country, will offer the keynote address. Plumb uses the “No Limits” theme to encourage audiences to recognize the opportunities that surround them, no matter what the obstacles.

Each year, the Aclara Client Conference provides up-to-date training to enhance technical and customer-service skills when using Aclara systems. Customers attending the conference also are briefed on upcoming enhancements to Aclara products, including its STAR<sup>®</sup> Network system, TWACS<sup>®</sup> technology, and software solutions for customer engagement and meter data management, ENERGYprism<sup>®</sup> and Energy Vision<sup>®</sup>. Attendees provide feedback to Aclara and meet together to exchange best practices, share solutions to challenges, and validate strategic directions.

The Aclara Client Conference continues to grow each year as utilities realize the value in learning about and contributing to the improvement of Aclara’s wide-ranging solutions. In these tough economic times, the conference is up close to 150 attendees, validating the value that customers place on it. Registration for the conference continues at [www.aclaraclientconference.com](http://www.aclaraclientconference.com).

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