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**Air Academy Federal Credit Union Scheduled to Begin Participating in Shared Branching and Open Twelve Shared Branching Locations in March 2008.**

**ARVADA, CO** (January 30, 2008)—Credit Union Service Network (CUSN) proudly announces the addition of Air Academy Federal Credit Union in Colorado Springs, Colorado to the family of credit unions participating in shared branching. Air Academy FCU's decision to come onboard provides their members with the convenience of more than 2,900 locations nationwide.

Air Academy FCU will open all twelve of its branches as credit union service centers to better serve members of other credit unions by providing broader access to financial services in Colorado in the beginning of March 2008. The twelve new service centers are located in Highlands Ranch, Parker, Elizabeth, Castle Rock, Monument, Fountain, and Colorado Springs.

"The vast network of shared branches that would be available to our members in Colorado, across the United States and in some foreign countries, said Karin Kovalovsky, Vice President, Marketing of Air Academy Federal Credit Union, is the main deciding factor for Air Academy FCU joining CUSN." Air Academy FCU membership is prominently military (active and retired), public school districts, and various select employee groups. Currently, 83% of their membership lives in Colorado.

Shared branching enables credit union members to conduct financial transactions at more convenient locations by opening the doors of other credit unions. Through shared branching, credit union members have access to more than 2,900 service centers nationwide, including some foreign locations. Members can conduct the services they most frequently use including deposits, withdrawals, funds transfers, loan payments, and balance inquiries at shared branching service centers. Please visit the CUSN Web site at [www.cuservicenetwork.com](http://www.cuservicenetwork.com) to view detailed information on shared branching, including locations.

**About CUSN**

*Since 1992, CU Service Network has successfully implemented shared branching for over 78 credit unions in Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Nebraska, New Mexico, and Wyoming. CUSN was established to help participating credit unions reach more members in areas outside of their office radius. Credit unions own the network and have a volunteer board to govern the direction of the organization. Contact Meghan Green, Marketing Consultant, at (720) 945-7244 for more information.*

*CU Service Network's affiliation with shared branching nationwide is through CO-OP Shared Branching, based in Duluth, Georgia. CO-OP Shared Branching is the largest shared branching network representing 80 percent of national credit union participants. Made up of credit unions, leagues, CUSOs, CUNA and CUNA Mutual, the CO-OP Shared Branching network is designed to offer credit union members convenient access to their accounts at multiple locations with extended hours. CO-OP Shared Branching's proprietary ground-breaking technology, The Next Generation Network, offers credit unions lower cost, enhanced transaction functionality, and greater information capacity, making it possible for more credit unions to offer shared branching to their members.*