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Chicago Tribune Media Group to Print *Chicago Sun-Times* *Historic Agreement Includes Sun-Times Media Productions' Suburban Newspapers*

CHICAGO, July 19, 2011 – Chicago Tribune Media Group (CTMG) today announced that it has reached an agreement with Sun-Times Media Productions LLC to manage the printing and packaging of the *Chicago Sun-Times* and seven of the company's suburban newspapers. Coupled with existing agreements, CTMG ultimately will be responsible for the production and distribution of Sun-Times Media Productions print products, except its Pioneer Press titles. With this Agreement, the Sun-Times has effectively exited the print manufacturing and distribution business.

“The Sun-Times has been one of our most valued customers since 2007, when we struck our first distribution agreement with them,” said Becky Brubaker, senior vice president of manufacturing and distribution for Chicago Tribune Media Group. “In a rapidly changing, highly competitive media marketplace, these types of agreements benefit both companies as well as readers and advertisers across the metropolitan region.”

The *Chicago Sun-Times* and the suburban newspapers will be printed at CTMG's state-of-the-art Freedom Center. CTMG has printing and distribution agreements with multiple newspapers including: *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal* and *Investor's Business Daily*.

“We're always looking for innovative ways to leverage our manufacturing and distribution capabilities,” Brubaker said. “We're excited about the opportunity to grow the business services segment of our media company.”

Under the terms of the agreement, financial details were not released.

About Chicago Tribune Media Group

Chicago Tribune Media Group is a media and business services company that publishes the Pulitzer Prize-winning Chicago Tribune. CTMG also produces related print and interactive media serving Chicagoland, including RedEye, Hoy, *Chicago Magazine*, TribLocal, TheMash, chicagotribune.com, chicagonow.com, chicagoshopping.com and metromix.com. Reaching 4.8 million adults each week in the greater Chicago area, CTMG is the leading news and information destination in Chicagoland.

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