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Carriage Services Announces Fourth Quarter Earnings Release and Conference Call Schedule

HOUSTON, Jan 29, 2004 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via Comtex/ -- Carriage Services, Inc. (NYSE: CSV) today announced plans to release fourth quarter 2003 results on Thursday, February 19, 2004 at 6:00 a.m. eastern time. In conjunction with the release, Carriage Services has scheduled a conference call, which will be broadcast live over the Internet, for Thursday, February 19, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. eastern time.

What: Carriage Services 2003 Fourth Quarter Earnings Conference Call

When: Thursday, February 19, 2004 - 10:30 a.m. eastern time

How: Live via phone - By dialing 303-262-2144 and asking for the

Carriage Services call at least 10 minutes prior to the start time - OR live over the Internet by logging on to the web

address below.

Where: www.carriageservices.com

A telephonic replay of the conference call will be available through Thursday, February 26, 2004, and may be accessed by dialing 303-590-3000 and using pass code 568898. An audio archive will also be available on the company's website at www.carriageservices.com shortly after the call and will be accessible for approximately 90 days. For more information, please contact Karen Roan at DRG&E at 713-529-6600 or email kcroan@drg-e.com.

Carriage Services is the fourth largest publicly traded deathcare company. As of January 29, 2004, Carriage operates 139 funeral homes and 30 cemeteries in 29 states.

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