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René Goux to Lead NOLA Regional Health Network

NEW ORLEANS – April 5, 2006 – L. René Goux has been named market vice president of the NOLA Regional Health Network, operated by Tenet Healthcare Corporation. Goux will report to Reynold J. Jennings, Tenet’s chief operating officer.

In this newly created position, Goux will provide cohesive, local oversight of Tenet’s five acute care hospitals and its Diagnostic Imaging Services in New Orleans. He will also serve as Tenet’s local voice with physicians and the community as the New Orleans market recovers after Hurricane Katrina.

“René will work collaboratively with federal, state and local officials to find ways to cooperate, consolidate and improve the delivery of patient care in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina,” Jennings said. “He will actively seek strategic opportunities with other health care providers in the area to hasten this process.”

The NOLA Regional Health Network is comprised of Kenner Regional Medical Center, Lindy Boggs Medical Center, Meadowcrest Hospital, Memorial Medical Center and NorthShore Regional Medical Center. Diagnostic Imaging Services has five outpatient radiology centers in the New Orleans area.

Goux, 55, is a native of Louisiana and a seasoned hospital executive. Since July 2003, he has served as chief executive officer of Memorial Medical Center. Previously, he was chief executive officer of NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell, and before that he held increasingly

responsible positions at several Tenet hospitals in greater New Orleans. Prior to joining Tenet, Goux was president and chief operating officer of Sisters of Charity Louisiana Health Network.

Working with Goux in leading the NOLA Regional Health Network will be Bill Durham, a veteran Tenet financial executive, who will serve as the network's chief financial officer. Goux also announced that Curtis Dosch, chief financial officer of Memorial Medical Center, will also serve as the hospital's interim chief executive officer until a permanent successor to Goux is hired.

Goux added that the leaders of the other NOLA Regional Health Network hospitals will continue in their positions: George Saucier chief executive officer at Lindy Boggs Medical Center in New Orleans; Paolo Zambito chief executive officer at Kenner Regional Medical Center in Kenner; Mike O'Bryan chief executive officer at NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell; and Michael Beaver, interim chief executive officer at Meadowcrest Hospital in Gretna. In addition, Alan Cason will continue as chief executive officer of Diagnostic Imaging Services, Goux said.

NOLA Regional Health Network is a locally-focused health network operated by Tenet Healthcare Corporation (NYSE: THC). Located throughout the Greater New Orleans area, the network comprises five acute care hospitals totaling approximately 1,079 beds, and five free-standing outpatient diagnostic radiology centers, known as Diagnostic Imaging Services. The hospitals include Kenner Regional Medical Center in Kenner, Lindy Boggs Medical Center in New Orleans, Meadowcrest Hospital in Gretna, Memorial Medical Center in New Orleans and NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell. Tenet's hospitals aim to provide the best possible care to every patient who comes through their doors, with a clear focus on quality and service. Tenet can be found on the World Wide Web at www.tenethealth.com.

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