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The food industry is among the most competitive and globally-linked of all business sectors. For example, many of America's best-known food packagers, such as Heinz, get 30%, 50% and even higher percentages of their total revenues from outside the U.S. Plunkett's Food Industry Almanac will be your guide to the entire food business, from production to distribution to retailing. On the supermarket side, giant, nationwide supermarket chains like Albertson's and Kroger are battling the ever-increasing market share and incredibly low retail prices offered in the immense grocery departments at Wal-Mart Supercenters. Many retailers are learning how to successfully combine bricks-and-clicks, taking grocery orders online and then fulfilling those orders through existing supermarkets. Moreover, food producers, distributors and retailers are using the latest in e-commerce methods to manage their supply chains and replenish their inventories. This exciting new book (with database on CD-ROM) covers everything you need to know about the food, beverage and tobacco industry, including: Analysis of major trends and markets; Historical statistics and tables; Major food producers such as Kraft and Frito Lay; Retailers of all types, from convenience store operators to giant supermarket chains; Emerging technologies including genetically-engineered foods; Giant distributors such as Sysco; Beverage companies such as Coca-Cola; Wine, liquor

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The electronic age is bringing sweeping changes to entertainment and media of all kinds, including publishing, broadcasting and film. Multimedia, the Internet and other digital media outlets for entertainment and information are being refined at a rapid rate. Media giants are merging and making big acquisitions. This book covers these exciting developments and provides profiles on hundreds of leading firms in film, radio, television, cable, new media, and publishing of all types including books, magazines and newspapers. It contains

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thousands of contacts for business and industry leaders, industry associations, Internet sites and other resources. You'll get in-depth profiles of nearly 400 of the world's top Entertainment & Media firms: our own unique list of companies that are the leaders in this field. Here you'll find complete profiles of the hot companies that are making news today, the largest, most successful corporations in all facets of the Entertainment and Media Business, from broadcasters to film production companies, casino operators to theme park companies, publishers of books and magazines to video game designers, and much more. Our corporate profiles include executive contacts, growth plans, financial records, address, phone, fax and much more. This innovative book offers unique information, all indexed and cross-indexed more for each firm! Our industry analysis section provides an exceptional discussion of business and market trends. The book includes statistical tables covering revenues for several industry sectors. Purchasers of either the book or PDF version can receive a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM, enabling key word search and export of key data.

No other guide covers the complete retail picture like this exciting new volume. America's retail industry is in the midst of vast changes - superstores and giant discounters are popping up on major corners. Malls are lagging while "power centers" are surging ahead. Savvy firms are combining bricks, clicks and catalogs into multi-channel retail powerhouses. Which are the hottest retailers? What lies ahead? Our market research section

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shows you the trends and a thorough analysis of retail technologies, chain stores, shopping centers, mergers, finances and future growth within the industry. Included are major statistical tables showing everything from monthly U.S. retail sales, by sector, to mall sales per square foot, to the 10 largest malls in the US.

Meanwhile, the corporate profiles section covering nearly 500 firms gives you complete profiles of the leading, fastest growing retail chains across the nation. From Wal-Mart and Costco to Barnes & Noble and Amazon, we profile the major companies that marketing executives, investors and job seekers most want to know about.

These profiles include corporate name, address, phone, fax, web site, growth plans, competitive advantage, financial histories and up to 27 executive contacts by title. Purchasers of the printed book or PDF version may receive a free CD-ROM database of the corporate profiles, enabling export of vital corporate data for mail merge and other uses.

Vital to businesses of all types, the fields of advertising, marketing and branding are covered in-depth in this important volume, from advertising on radio and television to direct mail, from online advertising to branding and public relations to paid search inclusion. Analysis of trends, globalization, technologies, finances and more. This carefully-researched book covers exciting trends in such areas as advertising agencies, marketing consultants, online advertising, branding strategies, global markets and more. This reference tool includes thorough market analysis as well as our highly respected trends analysis. You'll find a complete

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A guide to the trends and leading companies in the engineering, research, design, innovation and development business fields: those firms that are dominant in engineering-based design and development, as well leaders in technology-based research and development.

Plunkett's Companion to the Almanac of American Employers is the perfect complement to the highly-regarded main volume of The Almanac of American Employers. This mid-size firms companion book covers employers of all types from 100 to 2,500 employees in size (while the main volume covers companies of 2,500 or more employees). No other source provides this book's easy-to-understand comparisons of growth,

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corporate culture, salaries, benefits, pension plans and profit sharing at mid-size corporations. The book contains profiles of highly successful companies that are of vital importance to job-seekers of all types. It also enables readers to readily compare the growth potential and benefit plans of large employers. You'll see the financial record of each firm, along with the impact of earnings, sales and growth plans on each company's potential to provide a lucrative and lasting employment opportunity. Nearly five hundred of the most successful mid-size corporate employers in America are analyzed in this book. Tens of thousands of pieces of information, gathered from a wide variety of sources, have been researched for each corporation and are presented here in a unique form that can be easily understood by job seekers of all types. Purchasers of either the book or PDF version can receive a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM, enabling export of company names, human resources contacts, and addresses for mail merge and other uses.

The immense, global transportation and logistics sector is vital to businesses of all types. This carefully-researched book covers exciting trends in supply chain and logistics management, transportation, just in time delivery, warehousing, distribution, intermodal shipment systems, logistics services, purchasing and advanced technologies such as RFID. This reference tool includes thorough market analysis as well as our highly respected trends analysis. You'll find a complete overview, industry analysis and market research report in one superb, value-priced package. It contains thousands of

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A complete market research guide to the business of biotech, genetics, proteomics and related services--a tool for strategic planning, competitive intelligence, employment searches, or financial research. Complete profiles of nearly 400 leading biotech companies, in-depth chapters on trends. Includes glossary thorough indexes, statistics, research and development, emerging technology--as well a addresses, phone numbers, and executive names.

This new almanac will be your ready-reference guide to the E-Commerce & Internet Business worldwide! In one carefully-researched volume, you'll get all of the data you need on E-Commerce & Internet Industries, including: complete E-Commerce statistics and trends; Internet research and development; Internet growth companies; online services and markets; bricks & clicks and other online retailing strategies; emerging e-commerce technologies; Internet and World Wide Web usage trends; PLUS, in-depth profiles of over 400 E-Commerce & Internet companies: our own unique list of companies that are the leaders in this field. Here you'll find complete profiles of the hot companies that are making news today, the largest, most successful corporations in all facets of the E-Commerce Business, from online retailers, to manufacturers of software and equipment for Internet communications, to Internet services providers and much more. Our corporate profiles include executive

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contacts, growth plans, financial records, address, phone, fax, and much more. This innovative book offers unique information, all indexed and cross-indexed. Our industry analysis section covers business to consumer, business to business, online financial services, and technologies as well as Internet access and usage trends. The book includes numerous statistical tables covering such topics as e-commerce revenues, access trends, global Internet users, etc. Purchasers of either the book or PDF version can receive a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM, enabling key word search and export of key information, addresses, phone numbers and executive names with titles for every company profiled.

The apparel and textiles industry involves complex relationships that are constantly evolving. This carefully-researched book covers exciting trends in apparel and textile supply chains, manufacturing, design, women's fashions, men's fashions, children's fashions, shoes, accessories, retailing, distribution, technologies and fabrics of all types. It includes a thorough market analysis as well as our highly respected trends analysis. You'll find a complete overview, industry analysis and market research report in one superb, value-priced package. It contains thousands of contacts for business and industry leaders, industry associations, Internet sites and other resources. This book also includes statistical tables, an industry glossary and thorough indexes. The corporate profiles section of the book includes our proprietary, in-depth profiles of the 350 leading companies in all facets of the apparel and textiles industry. Purchasers of either the book or PDF version can receive a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM, enabling key word search and

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Plunkett's Infotech Industry Almanac 2009 The Only Comprehensive Guide to InfoTech Companies And Trends
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Plunkett's Telecommunications Industry Almanac is the only complete reference guide to the telecommunications technologies and companies that are changing the way the world communicates today. This massive reference book's market research section provides complete access to the U.S. telecommunications and communications industry. This section includes over a dozen major statistical tables covering everything from revenues for the fixed line and wireless service sectors, to the number of telephone subscribers worldwide, to telephone equipment import and export market numbers. Finally, in this carefully-researched volume, you will receive an abundance of data on: national and global telecommunications statistics, new telecommunications technology, telecommunications market forecasts, telecommunications trends and leading telecommunications companies. In the corporate profiles section, you will receive vital details on the "Telecommunications 500 Firms," the largest, most successful corporations in all facets of the telecommunications business. These in-depth profiles include corporate name, address, phone, fax, web site, growth plans, competitive advantage, financial histories and up to 27 executive contacts by title. You will also find information regarding local exchange and long distance telephone

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service markets and trends, wireless and cellular telephone markets and trends, satellite telecommunications, Wi-Fi, telephone industry equipment, software and support.

Telecommunications is one of the fastest-growing and most dynamic industries in the world today, and Plunkett's Telecommunications Industry Almanac will be your guide to this rapidly-changing business. Purchasers of the printed book or PDF version may receive a free CD-ROM database of the corporate profiles, enabling export of vital corporate data for mail merge and other uses.

Franklin, Jack, Marla, Thadius, and Caitlin... this unlikely group of assorted misfits are the Cemeterians, a group that will take on any job - no, really, we mean any bloody job (money's a bit tight right now)! Trudge through disgusting sewers to battle manatee-massacring mermaids and soggy cultists, creep through creepy, fog-littered cemeteries straight out of an ancient Hammer Film soundstage, confront undead lecherous lodgers and other assorted beasties, creepies, and ghoulies. It all comes down to whether an adolescent giant Automaton, a truly mad, Mad Scientist, a surly Necromancer, a Banshee's granddaughter, and a reluctant furry monster straight from under your little sister's bed can manage not to kill each other - or, at least, quit fighting over the tele-privilege-schedule long enough to get the job done! Not likely.

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The energy industry is boiling over with changes.

Deregulation, new opportunities in foreign fields and markets and environmental challenges are rushing together head-on to shape the energy and utilities business of the future. Extremely deep offshore wells in the Gulf of Mexico and offshore of West Africa are being drilled at immense cost. Meanwhile China has become a major energy importer and Russia has become a major exporter. In the U.S., Europe and Japan, renewable and alternative energy sources are developing quickly, including big breakthroughs in wind power and fuel cells. This exciting new reference book covers everything from major oil companies to electric and gas utilities, plus pipelines, refiners, retailers, oil field services and engineering. Petroleum topics include upstream and downstream. Additional topics include coal, natural gas and LNG. More than a dozen statistical tables cover everything

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from energy consumption, production and reserves to imports, exports and prices. Next, our unique profiles of the Energy 500 Firms are also included, with such vital details as executive contacts by title, revenues, profits, types of business, web sites, competitive advantage, growth plans and more. Purchasers of either the book or PDF version can receive a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM, enabling key word search and export of key information, addresses, phone numbers and executive names with titles for every company profiled.

There are few industry sectors in the world today with more potential than renewable and hydrogen energy. Clean, green and renewable energy technologies are receiving immense emphasis from investors, environmentalists, governments and major corporations. Today's high prices for crude oil, coal and natural gas will increase the demand for renewables of all types. A wide variety of technologies are being researched, developed and implemented on a global basis, from Stirling engines to wind power, from advanced nuclear plants to geothermal and fuel cells. Our analysis also includes tar sands (oil sands), oil shale, fuel cells, clean coal, distributed power, energy storage, biofuels and much more. You'll find a complete overview, industry analysis and market research report in one superb, value-priced package. It contains thousands of contacts for business and industry leaders, industry associations, Internet sites and other resources. This book also includes statistical tables, an industry glossary and thorough indexes. The corporate profiles section of the book includes our proprietary, in-depth profiles of the 250 leading companies in all facets of the alternative,

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Market research guide to the infotech industry a tool for strategic planning, competitive intelligence, employment searches or financial research. Contains trends, statistical tables, and an industry glossary. Includes one page profiles of infotech industry firms, which provides data such as addresses, phone numbers, and executive names.

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Everything you need to know about the business of insurance and risk management--a powerful tool for market research, strategic planning, competitive intelligence or employment searches. Contains trends, statistical tables and an industry glossary. Also provides profiles of more than 300 of the world's leading insurance companies--includes addresses, phone numbers, and executive names.

Plunkett's Biotech & Genetics Industry Almanac is a complete reference guide to the business side of biotechnology, genetics, proteomics and related services. This new book contains complete profiles of the leading biotech companies, in-depth chapters on trends in genetics, technologies, statistics and finances, a handy glossary and thorough indexes. Plunkett's Biotech & Genetics Industry Almanac, our easy-to-understand reference to the biotech and genetics industry, is an absolutely vital addition to your office. For the first time, in one carefully-researched volume, you'll get all of the data you need. Topics include: A Short History of Biotechnology; The State of the Biotechnology Industry Today; Biotechnology funding and investments; Patents; Biotech activities in Singapore and China; FDA; Gene Therapies; Personalized Medicine; Systems Biology; Drug Development; Clinical Trials; Controversy over Drug Prices; Stem Cells Research; Therapeutic Cloning; Regenerative Medicine Nanotechnology; Agricultural Biotechnology; Drug Delivery Systems; BioShield; Ethical Issues. The book also includes complete profiles on over 400 Biotech & Genetics companies, our own unique list of companies that are the leaders in

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biotechnology. These are the largest, most successful corporations in all facets of this exploding business. All of the corporate profile information is indexed and cross-indexed, including contact names, addresses, Internet addresses, fax numbers, toll-free numbers, plus growth and hiring plans, finances, research, marketing, technology, acquisitions and much more for each firm. Purchasers of either the book or PDF version can request a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM, enabling export of contact names, addresses and more.

The lending industry is comprised of a wide variety of sectors, such as banking, credit cards, mortgages, leasing and consumer finance. Many of these sectors have interconnections and synergies. In addition, a large number of related services and technologies have a major influence on the lending and credit business. These services include e-commerce, credit risk analysis, call centers and information technologies. Rapid changes have taken place in lending in recent years. For example, large amounts of business and consumer debt are now syndicated or securitized. Meanwhile, non-bank firms, such as GE, have become immense competitors in the lending arena, and international acquisitions are shaping up the globalized banking industry of the near future. This carefully-researched book (which includes a database of leading companies on CD-ROM) is a banking, credit and mortgages market research and business intelligence tool-- everything you need to know about the business of banking, credit cards, mortgages and lending, including: Money center banks; Regional

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Market research guide to the wireless access and cellular telecommunications industry a tool for strategic planning, competitive intelligence, employment searches or financial research. Contains trends, statistical tables, and an industry glossary. Also provides profiles of 350 leading wireless, Wi-Fi, RFID and cellular industry firms - includes addresses, phone numbers, executive names.

Market research guide to the business side of sports, teams, marketing and equipment a tool for strategic planning, competitive intelligence, employment searches or financial research. Contains trends, statistical tables, and an industry glossary. Over 350 one page profiles of sports industry firms, companies and organizations - includes addresses, phone numbers, executive names.

This exciting new industry will enhance technologies of all types. Nanotechnology has applications within biotechnology,

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manufacturing, aerospace, information systems and many other fields. This book covers such nanotechnology business topics as micro-electro-mechanical systems (MEMS), microengineering, microsystems, microsensors, carbon tubes and much more. This is a young field with tremendous ground floor opportunities. Our terrific new reference tool includes a thorough market analysis as well as our highly respected trends analysis, all written from a business person's point of view. You'll find a complete overview, industry analysis and market research report in one superb, value-priced package. It contains thousands of contacts for business and industry leaders, industry associations, Internet sites and other resources. This book also includes statistical tables, an industry glossary and thorough indexes. The corporate profiles section of the book includes our proprietary, in-depth profiles of the 300 leading companies in all facets of the nanotechnology and microengineering industry. Purchasers of either the book or PDF version can receive a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM, enabling key word search and export of key information, addresses, phone numbers and executive names with titles for every company profiled.

Plunkett's Almanac of Middle Market Companies is designed to be time-saving business development tool for professionals, marketers, sales directors, consultants and strategists seeking to understand and reach middle market American companies. It will also be of great use to placement, recruiting and human resources professionals, as well as professionals working in economic development, lending and media. It covers competitive intelligence, market research and business analysis--everything you need to identify and develop strategies for middle market corporations. Coverage includes all major business sectors, from InfoTech to health care to telecommunications and much

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more. (We have intentionally omitted retail companies and banks.) These profiles and details on over 500 middle market firms are pulled from our extensive company and industry databases. We also include a business glossary and a listing of business contacts, such as industry associations and government agencies. Next, we profile hundreds of leading middle market companies. Our company profiles include complete business descriptions and up to 27 executives by name and title. Purchasers of either the book or PDF version can receive a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM, enabling key word search and export of key information, addresses, phone numbers and executive names with titles for every company profiled.

Plunkett's Health Care Industry Almanac is the only complete reference to the American Health Care Industry and its leading corporations. Whatever your purpose for researching the health care field, you'll find this award-winning reference book to be a valuable guide. No other source provides this massive book's easy-to-understand comparisons of national health expenditures, emerging technologies, patient populations, hospitals, clinics, corporations, research, Medicare, Medicaid, managed care, and many other areas of vital importance. Included in the market research sections are dozens of statistical tables covering every aspect of the industry, from Medicare expenditures to hospital utilization, from insured and uninsured populations to revenues to health care expenditures as a percent of GDP. A special area covers vital statistics and health status of the U.S. population. The corporate analysis section features in-depth profiles of the "Health Care 500"; the 500 largest and most successful for-profit firms within the health care system, from the leading companies in pharmaceuticals to the major managed care companies. Details for each corporation include growth plans, divisions, subsidiaries, brand names, competitive advantage

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The travel industry has been through exceptional upheaval and change. Plunkett's Airline, Hotel & Travel Industry Almanac will be your complete guide to this fascinating industry. After reeling from the effects of the September 11, 2001 tragedies, the travel business is now emerging as a more streamlined, efficient and focused industry. Many of the biggest, most successful firms are becoming extremely global in nature. Meanwhile, most airlines are struggling to return to profitability, while low-cost providers Southwest Airlines and JetBlue continue to set the standard for air travel.

Deregulation is opening up huge travel markets in India and China. On the hotel side, massive management firms, development companies and real estate investment trusts are gaining in scale and influence. The booking of travel online is perhaps the most successful niche of all of the world's e-commerce efforts. Consumers use the Internet to become better informed and to seek bargains. Online sites like Travelocity, Priceline and Orbitz steer millions of consumers toward specific airlines and hotels in a manner that lowers prices and improves satisfaction among consumers. The exciting new reference book (which includes a fully-featured database on CD-ROM) will give you access to the complete scope of the travel industry, including: Analysis of major trends; Market research; Statistics and historical tables; Airlines; Hotel operators; Entertainment destinations such as resorts and theme parks; Tour operators; The largest travel agencies; E-commerce firms; Cruise lines; Casino hotels; Car

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