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## “The Giving Pledge” At-A-Glance

**WHAT:** Launched by Warren Buffett during the Summer of 2010, the Giving Pledge is an effort to invite the wealthiest individuals and families in America to commit to giving the majority of their wealth to the philanthropic causes and charitable organizations of their choice either during their lifetime or after their death. Each person who chooses to pledge will make this statement publicly, along with a letter explaining their decision to pledge. At an annual event, those who take the pledge will come together to share ideas and learn from each other.

The Pledge is a moral commitment to give, not a legal contract. It does not involve pooling money or supporting a particular set of causes or organizations. While the Giving Pledge is specifically focused on billionaires, the idea takes its inspiration from efforts in the past and at present that encourage and recognize givers of all financial means and backgrounds. We are inspired by the example set by millions of Americans who give generously (and often at great personal sacrifice) to make the world a better place.

**WHO:** The Pledge currently has forty participants, listed below in alphabetical order. To date, all are American, although a dinner is scheduled in Beijing for September 29, 2010, in hopes of generating interest for the Pledge among wealthy Chinese.

Paul G. Allen	Bernie and Billi Marcus
Laura and John Arnold	Bernie Marcus
Michael R. Bloomberg	Thomas S. Monaghan
Eli and Edythe Broad	Tashia and John Morgridge
Warren Buffett	Pierre and Pam Omidyar
Michele Chan and Patrick Soon-Shiong	Bernard and Barbro Osher
Barry Diller and Diane von Furstenberg	Ronald O. Perelman
Ann and John Doerr	Peter G. Peterson
Larry Ellison	T. Boone Pickens
Larry Ellison	Julian H. Robertson, Jr.
Bill and Melinda Gates	David Rockefeller
Bill and Melinda Gates	David M. Rubenstein
Barron Hilton	Herb and Marion Sandler
Jon and Karen Huntsman	Vicki and Roger Sant
Joan and Irwin Jacobs	Walter Scott, Jr.
George B. Kaiser	Jim and Marilyn Simons
Elaine and Ken Langone	Jeff Skoll
Ken Langone	Tom Steyer and Kat Taylor
Gerry and Marguerite Lenfest	Jim and Virginia Stowers
Lorry I. Lokey	Ted Turner
George Lucas	Sanford and Joan Weill
George Lucas	Shelby White
Alfred E. Mann	