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Hercules Technology Growth Capital to Participate in the 2012 JMP Securities Research Conference

PALO ALTO, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc. (NYSE:HTGC), a leader in customized debt financing for entrepreneurial venture capital and private equity-backed companies in technology-related markets including cleantech and life science, announced today that Manuel A. Henriquez, co-founder, chairman and chief executive officer of Hercules, and Jessica Baron, chief financial officer, will present and participate in one-on-one investor meetings at the 2012 JMP Securities Research Conference. The conference will be held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in San Francisco, with the presentation taking place at 2:00pm PT on Tuesday, May 15, 2012. Live and replay webcasts of the presentation can be accessed on the "Investor Relations" section of the Company's website, <http://investor.htgc.com/events.cfm>.

About Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc.:

Hercules Technology Growth Capital (NYSE: HTGC), is a NYSE traded specialty finance firm providing customized loans to public and private technology-related companies, including clean technology, life science and select lower middle market technology companies at all stages of development. Since inception, Hercules has committed more than \$2.7 billion to over 190 companies and is the lender of choice for entrepreneurs, venture capital and private equity firms seeking ideal, customized growth capital financing at all stages of a company's development to accelerate business growth and reach the next critical milestone.

Companies interested in learning more about financing opportunities should contact info@htgc.com, or call 650.289.3060.

Forward-Looking Statements:

The statements contained in this release that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements including, without limitation, the risks, uncertainties, including the uncertainties surrounding the current market turbulence, and other factors we identify from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Although we believe that the assumptions on which these forward-looking statements are based are reasonable, any of those assumptions could prove to be inaccurate and, as a result, the forward-looking statements based on those assumptions also could be incorrect. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements contained in this release are made as of the date hereof, and Hercules assumes no obligation to update the forward-looking

statements for subsequent events.

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