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**VERDEZYNE NAMES DAMIEN PERRIMAN VICE PRESIDENT
OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

CARLSBAD, Calif.— February 26, 2009 –[Verdezyne, Inc.](http://www.verdezyne.com), a privately-held synthetic biology company developing processes for the industrial chemicals and fuel markets, today announced the appointment of Damien Perriman to the position of vice president of business development.

Perriman will lead the development of partnerships that advance the commercialization of Verdezyne's proprietary bioprocesses for converting renewable raw materials to biobased industrial products. He will be responsible for positioning Verdezyne as a technology provider to major chemical and fuel companies, providing sustainable solutions for future energy and material needs.

"Damien is an experienced leader with expertise in creating value building partnerships between the chemical and biotechnology sectors. His connections and knowledge of the industry make him the ideal addition to our team as we advance existing partnerships and develop new ones," said E. William Radany, Ph.D., President and Chief Executive Officer, Verdezyne. "His leadership will be critical in guiding Verdezyne's business endeavors in the burgeoning industrial biotechnology sector."

Prior to joining Verdezyne, Perriman was a senior commercial leader for The Dow Chemical Company's Bioscience Platform, where he led multi-functional teams to develop technology and commercial options that accelerated implementation of Dow's bioscience strategy. His teams assembled a portfolio of fermentation and algae projects for selected targets from a global screen of technology providers.

“I am delighted to join Verdezyne during this exciting period of growth and transformation,” said Perriman. “There is a genuine market need for sustainable chemistry and Verdezyne’s unique method to developing bio-based processes will enable a renewable approach to producing fuels and chemicals. I look forward to making a positive contribution to Verdezyne’s success in 2009 and beyond.”

Perriman also held positions as the Deputy Trade Commissioner to the Americas for the Queensland Government of Australia and in technical sales with Mirotone, a specialty chemicals company.

Perriman holds an M.B.A. from the University of California Los Angeles, Anderson School of Management and a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Chemistry with Honors from the University of New South Wales, Australia.

About Verdezyne

Founded in 2005, Verdezyne, formerly known as CODA Genomics, is a privately-held company that integrates its proprietary core technologies to direct the evolution of novel metabolic pathways for cost effective commercial production of biofuels and platform chemicals. Investors in Verdezyne include OVP Venture Partners, Monitor Ventures, Tech Coast Angels and Life Science Angels. For more information on Verdezyne, visit www.verdezyne.com.

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