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STOXX CHANGES COMPOSITION OF EUROPEAN BENCHMARK INDEXES

Results of the First Regular Quarterly Review to be Effective on March 23, 2009

ZURICH (February 24, 2009) – STOXX Ltd., the leading provider of European equity indexes, today announced changes in the composition of the Dow Jones STOXX Global 1800 Index, Dow Jones STOXX Total Market Index, Dow Jones STOXX 600 Index, Dow Jones STOXX EU Enlarged Total Market Index, Dow Jones STOXX Eastern Europe Total Market Index, Dow Jones STOXX Eastern Europe 300 Index and their sub- and sector indexes, as well as the Dow Jones STOXX Football Index and Dow Jones STOXX Private Equity 20 Index.

Effective as of the open of European markets on March 23, 2009, the following 12 stocks will be added to the **Dow Jones STOXX 600 Index** and its respective size and sector indexes: BEFIMMO S.C.A. (Belgium, Real Estate, BEFB.BT), BELLWAY PLC (U.K., Personal & Household Goods, BWY.LN), BRIT INSURANCE HLDG PLC (U.K., Insurance, BRE.LN), CHEMRING GRP PLC (U.K., Industrial Goods & Services, CHG.LN), CRUCELL N.V. (Netherlands, Health Care, CRXL.AE), HALMA PLC (U.K., Industrial Goods & Services, HLMA.LA), M6 METROPOLE TV S.A. (France, Media, 5322.FR), SOFTWARE AG (Germany, Technology, SOW.XE), MITIE GRP PLC (U.K., Industrial Goods & Services, MTO.LN), SARAS S.p.A. (Italy, Oil & Gas, SRS.MI), SUEDZUCKER AG (Germany, Food & Beverage, SZU.XE) and VENTURE PRODUCTION PLC (U.K., Oil & Gas, VPC.LN).

Companies exiting the index are: ALAPIS S.A. (Greece, Health Care, ALAPIS.AT), COOKSON GRP PLC (U.K., Industrial Goods & Services, CKSN.LN), ENTERPRISE INNS PLC (U.K., Travel & Leisure, ETI.LN), HYPO REAL ESTATE HLDG AG (Germany, Financial Services, HRX.XE), INTERMEDIATE CAPITAL GRP PLC (U.K., Financial Services, ICP.LN), KBC ANCORA S.C.A. (Belgium, Banks, KBCA.BT), KINGSPAN GRP PLC (Ireland, Construction & Materials, KSP.DB), NKT HLDG A/S (Denmark, Industrial Goods & Services, NKT.KO), PETROLEUM GEO-SERVICES ASA (Norway, Oil & Gas, PGS.OS), RHODIA S.A. (France, Chemicals, RHA.FR), SNS REAAL N.V. (Netherlands, Financial Services, SR.AE) and TULLETT PREBON PLC (U.K., Financial Services, TLPR.LN). The Dow Jones STOXX Total Market, Dow Jones STOXX Global 1800, Dow Jones STOXX EU Enlarged Total Market, Dow Jones STOXX Eastern Europe Total Market and Dow Jones STOXX Eastern Europe 300 indexes are also part of this regular quarterly review. The new composition of the indexes can be found at <u>http://www.stoxx.com/news/reviews.html</u>

As of January 30, 2009, the total free-float market capitalization of the reconstituted **Dow Jones STOXX 600 Index** and **Dow Jones STOXX Total Market Index** remained unchanged at \in 3,60 trillion and \in 3,82 trillion, respectively.

The composition of the **Dow Jones STOXX Football** and **Dow Jones STOXX Private Equity 20 indexes** will remain unchanged. Their total free-float market capitalization also will remain unchanged at \in 574.05 million and \in 7.37 billion, respectively.

The total free-float market capitalization of the reconstituted **Dow Jones STOXX Global 1800 Index** decreased to \leq 12,01 trillion from \leq 12,10 trillion, while the total free-float market capitalization of the reconstituted **Dow Jones STOXX EU Enlarged Total Market Index** increased to \leq 44.13 billion from \leq 43.98 billion.

As of January 30, 2009, the total free-float market capitalization of the reconstituted **Dow Jones STOXX Eastern Europe 300 Index** increased to \leq 185.15 billion from \leq 184.12 billion, while the total free-float market capitalization of the reconstituted **Dow Jones STOXX Eastern Europe Total Market Index** increased to \leq 190.09 billion from \leq 189.41 billion.

Changes are being announced today after the conclusion of a regular quarterly component review. The adjusted component weightings, including the number of shares and free-float factors, will be announced on March 13, 2009, after the close of European markets. All changes will be effective as of the open of European markets on March 23, 2009.

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