

## Changes in the Dow Jones STOXXSM Blue Chip, Broad and Sector Indexes

## Tender Offers for Paribas and Societe Generale Shares

Zurich, August 2, 1999: STOXX Limited, the operating company of the Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> indexes, announces the following changes to all the relevant Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> blue chip, broad and sector indexes due to the following recently announced corporate action.

As a result of the tender offers for the shares of the French banks Paribas (FR0000073231 & FR0004011534) and Societe Generale (FR0000072688 & FR0000130809):

- Paribas' (FR0004011534) regular monthly settlement line of shares will be added to all the relevant Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> blue chip, broad and sector indexes effective August 4, 1999\*.
- Societe Generale's (FR0000130809) regular monthly settlement line of shares will be added to all the relevant Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> blue chip, broad and sector indexes effective August 4, 1999\*.
- Paribas' (FR0000073231) immediate cash settlement line of shares set up to facilitate the tender offer will be deleted from all the relevant Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> blue chip, broad and sector indexes effective August 4, 1999\*.
- Societe Generale's (FR0000072688) immediate cash settlement line of shares set up to facilitate the tender offer will be deleted from all the relevant Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> blue chip, broad and sector indexes effective August 4, 1999\*.
- \* NOTE: The implementation of this change is in line with the "Guide to the Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> Indexes" (Version 3.0, July 1999, Section 5.3). It states: "Any changes of the index's market capitalisation due to changes in the composition (addition, deletion or replacement of companies), weighting changes (following quarterly reviews or changes of more than 10% in the number of shares for one component) or corporate actions (mergers, spinoffs, rights offerings, repurchase of shares, public offerings, return of capital, and special cash or stock distribution of other that the same stock) imply changes to the divisor in order to maintain the index's continuity."

The latest monthly blue chip selection lists for the Dow Jones STOXX 50<sup>SM</sup>, Dow Jones EURO STOXX 50<sup>SM</sup> and Dow Jones STOXX Nordic 30<sup>SM</sup> blue chip indexes can be downloaded from the STOXX Limited website (www.stoxx.com).

The "Guide to the Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> Indexes" (Version 3.0, July 1999) can be obtained from STOXX Limited (e-mail: stoxx@stoxx.com) and downloaded from the STOXX Limited website (www.stoxx.com).

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