

Changes the Dow Jones STOXXSM Broad Indexes New Single Share Structure for ABB Ltd. (CH)

Addition: ABB Ltd. (CH)

Deletion: ABB AG 'B' (CH), ABB AG 'R' (CH), ABB AB 'A' (SE) and ABB AB 'B' (SE)

Zurich, June 23, 1999: STOXX Limited, the operating company of the Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes, announces the following changes to the Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes in response to recently announced forthcoming corporate actions by the Swedish-Swiss industrial company ABB (CH0006254327, CH0006254319, SE0000100919 & SE0000100927):

- ABB Ltd. (CH0003846620) with 300,002,360 shares and a market capitalisation of 26.3 BEUR will be added to the relevant Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes, effective June 28, 1999*.
- ABB AB 'A' (SE0000100919) with 668,197,568 shares and a market capitalisation of 9.3 BEUR –will be converted into ABB Ltd. (CH0003846620) shares, effective June 28, 1999.
- ABB AB 'B' (SE0000100927) with 269,715,456 shares and a market capitalisation of 3.7 BEUR –will be converted into ABB Ltd. (CH0003846620) shares, effective June 28, 1999.
- ABB AG 'B' (CH0006254327) with 8,159,470 shares and a market capitalisation of 11.7 BEUR will be converted into ABB Ltd. (CH0003846620) shares, effective June 28, 1999.
- Non-index component ABB AG 'R' (CH0006254319) with 5,470,750 shares and a market capitalisation of 1.6 BEUR will be converted into ABB Ltd. (CH0003846620) shares, effective June 28, 1999.
- ABB AB 'A' (SE0000100919), ABB AB 'B' (SE0000100927) and ABB AG 'B' (CH0006254327) will be deleted from the relevant Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes, effective June 28, 1999.
- * NOTE: The implementation of this change is in line with the "Guide to the Dow Jones STOXXSM Indexes" (Version 3.0, June 1999, Section 2.5). It states that: "If there should be a change of more than 10% in the number of shares for one index component from one day to the next day, then the current number of shares is adjusted on the day the change occurs following an announcement period of at least two trading days".

The latest monthly blue-chip selection lists for the Dow Jones STOXX 50SM and Dow Jones EURO STOXX 50SM indexes can be found on the STOXX Limited website (www.stoxx.com).

The "Guide to the Dow Jones STOXXSM Indexes" (Version 3.0, June 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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