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STOXX® to Launch New Indexes

Zurich, March 22, 1999: STOXX Limited, the operating company of the Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes, announces the launch of a new suite of Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes in April 1999:

• Dow Jones STOXXSM Industry Group Indexes

34 industry group indexes covering the 16 European countries comprised in the Dow Jones STOXXSM index and 24 industry group indexes covering the Eurozone, which is comprised in the Dow Jones EURO STOXXSM index. The industry group indexes are a sophistication of the current 19 Dow Jones STOXXSM market sector indexes. These new indexes will facilitate a more detailed analysis of the equity markets. (Launch: April 1, 1999)

• Dow Jones STOXXSM Economic Sector Indexes

These pan-European and eurozone economic sector indexes are based on 9 economic sectors which are a condensation of the current 19 Dow Jones STOXXSM market sectors. (Launch: April 1, 1999)

• Dow Jones STOXXSM Europe ex Euro Index

This index is derived from the Dow Jones STOXXSM index and covers all non-eurozone countries as a block: Denmark, Greece, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. (Launch: April 15, 1999)

• Dow Jones STOXXSM ex UK Indexes

These indexes comprise one broad index - Dow Jones $STOXX^{SM}$ ex UK - and 19 Dow Jones $STOXX^{SM}$ market sector indexes ex UK.

(Launch: April 15, 1999)

Each of theses new indexes will be calculated on a price and total-return basis and both in EUR and USD. The price indexes in Euro of the Dow Jones STOXXSM ex Euro index and all Dow Jones STOXXSM ex UK indexes will be calculated and disseminated every 15 seconds.

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By creating these indexes STOXX Limited is responding to the demand for indexes, that measure the performance of narrower - industrial and regional – segments of the pan-European and eurozone equity markets. Due to the major enlargement of the STOXX Family Index Group and in order to improve transparency the Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes STOXX Limited will continuously upgrade its website. Major alterations will be published in advance to allow users the necessary adaptations.

The "Guide to the Dow Jones STOXXSM Indexes" (Version 2.0, February 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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