

PRESS RELEASE

RESULTS OF THE DOW JONES STOXXSM INDEX REVIEWS

Zurich, August 15, 2000:

After consulting its Advisory Committee, STOXX Limited announces the results of the Dow Jones STOXXSM 2000 annual blue chip index review and the Q3 2000 quarterly broad index review, effective September 18, 2000.

Additions	Deletions	
 Dow Jones STOXX 50SM AstraZeneca (GB) BNP (FR) CGNU (GB) 	 Dow Jones STOXX 50SM ENEL (IT) KPN (NL) Unilever (NL) 	
 Dow Jones EURO STOXX 50SM Danone (FR) Sao Paolo – IMI (IT) 	 Dow Jones EURO STOXX 50SM Electrabel (BE) Metro (DE) 	
 Dow Jones STOXX Nordic 30SM → Orkla (NO) → Vestas Wind Systems (DK) 	 Dow Jones STOXX Nordic 30SM Fortum (FI) Sydkraft 'A' (SE) 	
LargeTelia (SE)	• Large > None	
 Mid Banco Pop. Dell'emilia Romagna (IT) Granada Media (GB) Intracom (GR) Pro Sieben (DE) Vivendi Environment (FR) 	 Mid Fortum (FI) Sogecable (ES) Thus (GB) 	

The complete list of all the above changes is freely downloadable from stoxx.com.

Market Sector Reclassifications (effective September 18, 2000)

The following Dow Jones STOXXSM index component has changed its main line of business and, therefore, will be reclassified to a new market sector:

Company	New Sector	Old Sector	
E.ON (DE)	Utility Suppliers	Industrial Goods & Services	

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FIXED NUMBER OF COMPONENTS IN THE SIZE INDEXES

The number of components in the Dow Jones STOXXSM Large, Mid and Small indexes will be fixed – and maintained by an ongoing review – at 200 components each, effective September 18, 2000.

Components deleted due to an extraordinary corporate action – e.g. mergers, takeovers, delistings and bankruptcy – will be replaced in the relevant size indexes immediately; i.e. on the same day the corporate action is effective following a minimum notification period of 2 trading days.

This replacement will be based on the latest monthly Dow Jones STOXXSM broad index selection list, which will be published on the first trading day of each month starting in October 2000.

RENAMED SIZE INDEXES

In line with maintaining the number of components in the Dow Jones STOXXSM Large, Mid, Large/Mid and Small indexes as described above, these indexes will be renamed as Large 200, Mid 200, Large/Mid 400 and Small 200 indexes, respectively, effective September 18, 2000.

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ATTACHMENT

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For the Q3 2000 quarterly broad index review, the Dow Jones STOXXSM broad index selection list was compiled by ranking the components of the Dow Jones STOXXSM investable universe according to their <u>free float</u> market capitalisation at the end of July 2000.

For the 2000 annual blue chip index reviews, the Dow Jones STOXXSM blue index selection lists were derived from the components of the relevant broad indexes and based on their <u>free float</u> market capitalisation at the end of July 2000.

The procedures for the annual blue chip index and quarterly broad index reviews for the Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes are detailed in the "Dow Jones STOXXSM Index Guide, Version 5.0, March 2000".

An extract of the Dow Jones STOXXSM broad index selection list – consisting of the top 1000 companies in the Dow Jones STOXXSM investable universe, ranked according to their free float market capitalisation at the end of July 2000 – is freely available from the STOXX Limited website (www.stoxx.com).

Summaries of the resulting changes to the Dow Jones STOXXSM indexes are also freely available from www.stoxx.com.

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If a component is deleted due to an extraordinary corporate action – e.g. mergers, takeovers, delistings and bankruptcy – then this component is replaced in the relevant size indexes immediately; i.e. on the same day the corporate action is effective following a minimum notification period of 2 trading days.

The deleted component of a size index will be replaced by the largest company – on the latest monthly Dow Jones STOXXSM broad index selection list – which is **not already** a component of this or any larger size index. If the replacement is a component of the next smaller size index, then this company is itself subsequently replaced by the same procedure.

Example: If the Large index component — Auto OPQ — is deleted, then it is replaced by Bank RST, the largest non-Large index component on the latest broad index selection list. Since Bank RST is a Mid index component, it is then replaced in the Mid index by Construction UVW, the largest non-Large/non-Mid index component. Since Construction UVW is a Small index component, it is subsequently replaced in the Small index by Energy XYZ, the largest non-Large/non-Mid/non-Small index component; i.e. the largest non-broad index component company.

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KEY DATES

		Review Date	Effective Date
•	Q3 2000 broad, size & sector index review	August 15, 2000	September 18, 2000
•	2000 annual blue-chip index review	August 15, 2000	September 18, 2000
•	Q4 2000 broad, size & sector index review	November 14, 2000	December 18, 2000
•	Q1 2001 broad, size & sector index review	February 13, 2001	March 19, 2001
•	Q2 2001 broad, size & sector index review	May 15, 2001	June 18, 2001
•	Q3 2001 broad, size & sector index review	August 14, 2001	September 24, 2001
•	2001 annual blue-chip index review	August 14, 2001	September 24, 2001
•	Q4 2001 broad, size & sector index review	November 13, 2001	December 24, 2001