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Establishment of Joint Venture for Clearing of U.S. Fixed Income Securities and Derivatives - Update

In an update to our previous newsflash, the NYSE Euronext and the Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC) have finalised the agreement establishing a 50/50 joint venture, the New York Portfolio Clearing (NYPC), to clear U.S. fixed income securities and derivatives.

The NYPC is expected to be operational in Q2 2010 subject to the regulatory approval. For more information please refer to the official announcement via here.

CSD Risk Impact

DTC (USA)

CSD Rating: AA-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Liquidity Risk

Current Rating = AA+ Flash Impact = Positive

Impacted Risk Type: Counterparty Risk

Current Rating = AA+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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Market Information Impact

USA

This information affects the data contained in the Settlement and Other market where securities are traded sections of the Securities Market Information Service.

Infrastructure Risk Ratings Impact

USA

Market Rating: AA-

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Liquidity Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = Positive

Impacted Risk Type: Counterparty Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

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