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eSecLending Selects EquiLend for Securities Lending Operational System Interface

BOSTON, January 7, 2007 – eSecLending announced today that they will add EquiLend to their list of third party operational and administrative system service providers. This enhancement will enable eSecLending to communicate and facilitate operational processing and trade instructions with other EquiLend participant borrower counterparties via an industry standard protocol.

eSecLending plans to go live this month with EquiLend’s administrative and trade processing platforms to include Contract Compare, Dividend Compare and AutoBorrow. These platforms, which are widely used in the Securities Lending industry, will enhance eSecLending’s straight through processing with their borrowing counterparties.

“As our business continues to grow, we remain focused on implementing industry standard solutions to further increase our operational efficiencies and scalability,” said Chris Jaynes, President of eSecLending. “Connecting to the EquiLend platform will facilitate straight-through processing and increased automation with our counterparties, many of whom are existing EquiLend clients.”

“We are delighted to welcome eSecLending to the EquiLend platform. They are a significant addition to our growing list of clients, and demonstrate that EquiLend is a good fit for many kinds of business models within the securities finance space.” says Brian Lamb, CEO of EquiLend.

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About eSecLending

eSecLending is a leading global provider and administrator of customized securities lending programs and they have grown to become one of the largest lending agents in the marketplace. Their program has been adopted by some of the world’s largest and most sophisticated asset gatherers including pension funds, mutual funds, investment managers and insurance companies. eSecLending’s approach has introduced investment management practices to the securities lending industry, offering beneficial owners an alternative to the custodial lending model. Through eSecLending, beneficial owners have achieved optimal returns, greater transparency and increased control over their program as compared to traditional lending models.

eSecLending maintains offices in Boston, London and Burlington, Vermont. Securities Finance Trust Company, an eSecLending company, performs all regulated business activities. Additional information about eSecLending is available on the company's website, www.esecLending.com.

About EquiLend

EquiLend is a leading provider of trade and post-trade services for the securities finance industry. Owned by a consortium of eleven of the largest global financial services firms, EquiLend facilitates straight-through processing by using a common standards-based protocol and infrastructure, which automates formerly manual business processes. Used by borrowers and lenders throughout the world, the EquiLend platform increases efficiency and enables access to additional liquidity. EquiLend's end-to-end solutions, which reduce the risk of potential errors and eliminate the need to maintain costly point-to-point connections, include Availability, AutoBorrow, AutoBorrow ExpressSM, Negotiation, EquiLend AuctionPortSM, Contract Comparison, Mark-to-Market Comparison, Returns, Recalls, Billing Comparison and Delivery, Dividend Claims Comparison, and Agent Lender Disclosure (ALD).

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