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eSecLending Wins Top Overall Ranking in the *Global Investor/ISF* Securities Lending Survey
#1 Securities Lending Agent in 10 out of 12 Overall Service Categories

BOSTON January 20, 2012 – eSecLending, a leading global securities lending agent, announced they have earned the top overall ranking, as well as the top score in the majority of the individual service categories, in the 2012 *Global Investor/ISF* Magazine Survey of Beneficial Owners.

Beneficial owners' feedback ranked eSecLending as number one in the Overall Unweighted category as well as the Americas Unweighted category. In addition, eSecLending was ranked number one in 10 out of the 12 Overall Service categories including income generated, risk management, relationship management, reporting and transparency, developed and emerging market coverage, parameter management, responsiveness to recalls, dividend collection and market due diligence.

eSecLending's clients praised the firm's performance and service stating they are "...always being proactive and coming to us, the client, with ideas. By far the best lending agent we have in our programme." Another respondent stated, "A well run program with excellent client service." A third client noted that "eSec has been a valuable resource in a very volatile operating environment; they have demonstrated flexibility and an outside-the-box approach."

eSecLending's Brooke Gillman, Head of Client Relationship Management states, "We are grateful for our clients' continued support, trust and confidence. The results and comments received are an affirmation that the emphasis we place on exceeding expectations is recognized by our clients and viewed as a differentiator for our firm. We look forward to further developing our partnerships with clients and continuously delivering thoughtful, risk managed solutions to address their goals."

About eSecLending

eSecLending is an independent global securities lending agent providing customized securities lending solutions for institutional investors worldwide. The company's innovative approach has introduced investment management practices to the securities lending industry, offering beneficial owners a compelling alternative to traditional pooled lending programs. Their differentiated process facilitates best execution by utilizing a transparent, disciplined and repeatable process to determine their clients' optimal securities lending strategy. In addition to outperformance, the approach provides clients with greater transparency and control, allowing them to more effectively monitor and mitigate risks.

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