



Press Release

S&P Announces Effective Date Change for the Quarterly Share Rebalancing for the S&P GSSI & S&P GSTI Indices

New York, February 29, 2008 - Standard & Poor's, the world's leading index provider, issued the following notice today regarding the 1st quarter 2008 share rebalancing date for the S&P GSSI and S&P GSTI Indices.

Normally, quarterly share changes are effective the 3rd Friday in March. In 2008, the third Friday (March 21st) falls on the Good Friday holiday. Several exchanges and markets observe Good Friday and do not trade on that date.

Therefore, in those markets that will be closed on March 21, 2008 in observance of the holiday, the quarterly share rebalancing of the S&P GSSI and S&P GSTI will be done after the close of trading on Thursday, March 20th with the changes taking effect with the next open following March 20th.

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