



Press Release

Standard & Poor's Announces Changes to U.S. Indices

New York, NY, January 14, 2009 – Standard & Poor's will make the following changes to the S&P MidCap 400 and S&P SmallCap 600 indices:

- S&P SmallCap 600 constituent Landstar System Inc. (NASD:LSTR) will replace Pacific Sunwear of California Inc. (NASD:PSUN) in the S&P MidCap 400, and American Science and Engineering Inc. (NASD:ASEI) will replace Landstar System in the S&P SmallCap 600, after the close of trading on Friday, January 16. On the same date, S&P SmallCap 600 constituent Immucor Inc. (NASD:BLUD) will replace Furniture Brands International Inc. (NYSE:FBN) in the S&P MidCap 400, and AeroVironment Inc. (NASD:AVAV) will replace Immucor in the S&P SmallCap 600. As of today's close of trading, Pacific Sunwear and Furniture Brands had market capitalizations of approximately \$74 million and \$109 million respectively, whereas the minimum market capitalization needed for admission to the S&P MidCap 400 index is currently \$750 million.
- Bio-Reference Laboratories Inc. (NASD:BRLI) will replace Mentor Corp. (NYSE:MNT) in the S&P SmallCap 600 after the close of trading on a date to be announced. S&P 100 & 500 constituent Johnson & Johnson (NYSE:JNJ) is acquiring Mentor in a transaction expected to be completed soon, pending final approvals.

Standard & Poor's will monitor these transactions, and post any relevant updates on its website: www.standardandpoors.com.

Landstar System is a provider of transportation capacity and logistics services. Headquartered in Jacksonville, FL, the company will be added to the S&P MidCap 400 GICS (Global Industry Classification Standard) Trucking Sub-Industry index.

American Science and Engineering develops, manufactures, markets, and sells X-ray and other inspection equipment. Headquartered in Billerica, MA, the company will be added to the S&P SmallCap 600 GICS Aerospace & Defense Sub-Industry index.

Immucor provides automated instrument-reagent systems to the blood transfusion industry. Headquartered in Norcross, GA, the company will be added to the S&P MidCap 400 GICS Health Care Supplies Sub-Industry index.

AeroVironment designs, develops, produces and supports a portfolio of small unmanned aircraft systems, and fast-charge systems for electric industrial vehicle batteries. Headquartered in Monrovia, CA, the company will be added to the S&P SmallCap 600 GICS Aerospace & Defense Sub-Industry index.

Bio-Reference Laboratories is an independent regional clinical laboratory. Headquartered in Elmwood Park, NJ, the company will be added to the S&P SmallCap 600 GICS Health Care Services Sub-Industry index.

Following is a summary of the changes:

S&P MIDCAP 400 INDEX – January 16, 2009			
	COMPANY	GICS ECONOMIC SECTOR	GICS SUB-INDUSTRY
ADDED	Landstar System	Industrials	Trucking
	Immucor	Health Care	Health Care Supplies
DELETED	Pacific Sunwear of California	Consumer Discretionary	Apparel Retail
	Furniture Brands	Consumer Discretionary	Home Furnishings

S&P SMALLCAP 600 INDEX – January 16, 2009			
	COMPANY	GICS ECONOMIC SECTOR	GICS SUB-INDUSTRY
ADDED	American Science & Engineering	Industrials	Aerospace & Defense
	AeroVironment	Industrials	Aerospace & Defense
DELETED	Landstar System	Industrials	Trucking
	Immucor	Health Care	Health Care Supplies

S&P SMALLCAP 600 INDEX – TBA			
	COMPANY	GICS ECONOMIC SECTOR	GICS SUB-INDUSTRY
ADDED	Bio-Reference Laboratories	Health Care	Health Care Services
DELETED	Mentor	Health Care	Health Care Equipment

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