



Press Release

Standard & Poor's and BGCantor Market Data to Jointly Develop New U.S. Treasury Indices

New York, December 7, 2009 – Continuing to expand its family of fixed income indices, Standard & Poor's, the world's leading index provider, announced today that it has signed an agreement with BGCantor Market Data, L.P., a leading market data provider and a subsidiary of BGC Partners, Inc. to jointly develop a new family of U.S. Treasury Indices.

The new U.S. Treasury Bond Indices, expected to launch in the first quarter of 2010, will use end of day U.S. Treasury bond pricing from BGCantor Market Data, and will be maintained and published by S&P Indices. The joint effort will result in U.S. Treasury Indices designed to meet custom requirements, liability driven investing and portfolio building strategies.

“The unprecedented borrowing by the U.S. government, coupled with the current flight to quality dynamics of the domestic marketplace, has created a need for indices that offer investors additional transparency and insight into the government bond market,” says James Rieger, Vice President at S&P Indices. “We are delighted that BGCantor Market Data has decided to lock arms with S&P Indices to provide fixed income investors with the solutions that they need to meet their investment objectives.”

Bernie Weinstein, head of BGCantor Market Data, added: “We are very pleased to be working with S&P to develop this family of indices. BGC Partners' eSpeed platform was the first fully electronic platform for US Treasuries, transforming the way these securities were traded. These new indices from S&P, based on our market data, will provide a key benchmark designed to increase transparency and efficiency, and further support our customers' activity in the U.S. government bond markets.”

The new family of U.S. Treasury Indices will initially include the following:

- S&P/BGCantor 0-3 Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index
- S&P/BGCantor 3-6 Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index
- S&P/BGCantor 6-9 Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index
- S&P/BGCantor 9-12 Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index
- S&P/BGCantor 0-1 Year U.S. Treasury Bond Index
- S&P/BGCantor 1-3 Year U.S. Treasury Bond Index
- S&P/BGCantor 3-5 Year U.S. Treasury Bond Index
- S&P/BGCantor 7-10 Year U.S. Treasury Bond Index
- S&P/BGCantor 10-20 Year U.S. Treasury Bond Index
- S&P/BGCantor 20+ Year U.S. Treasury Bond Index
- S&P/BGCantor U.S. TIPs Index

For more information Standard & Poor's growing family of fixed income indices, please visit:
www.fixedincomeindices.standardandpoors.com.

About S&P Indices

S&P Indices, the world's leading index provider, maintains a wide variety of investable and benchmark indices to meet an array of investor needs. Over \$1 trillion is directly indexed to Standard & Poor's family of indices, which includes the S&P 500, the world's most followed stock market index, the S&P

Global 1200, a composite index comprised of seven regional and country headline indices, the S&P Global BMI, an index with approximately 11,000 constituents, and the S&P GSCI, the industry's most closely watched commodities index. For more information, please visit www.standardandpoors.com/indices.

About Standard & Poor's

Standard & Poor's, a subsidiary of The McGraw-Hill Companies (NYSE:MHP), is the world's foremost provider of independent credit ratings, indices, risk evaluation, investment research and data. With offices in 23 countries and markets, Standard & Poor's is an essential part of the world's financial infrastructure and has played a leading role for nearly 150 years in providing investors with the independent benchmarks they need to feel more confident about their investment and financial decisions. For more information, visit <http://www.standardandpoors.com>

About BGCantor Market Data

BGCantor Market Data, L.P., a subsidiary of BGC Partners, Inc. is one of the world's premier suppliers of real-time, tradeable, indicative, end-of-day, and historical fixed income and derivatives data. As the exclusive source for market data derived from BGC Partners' voice and electronic broking activities. BGCantor Market Data's products and services are used by finance professionals for price discovery, analysis, risk management, portfolio monitoring and valuation, and research. BGCantor Market Data's product suite spans fixed income, interest rates, foreign exchange, foreign exchange options, credit derivatives, structures products, and analytics. BGCantor Market Data's products are available via direct data feed and the internet, and through vendors such as Bloomberg, Thomson Reuters, CQG, DTN, eSignal, and SunGard.

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