



CME Group Statement on Lehman Brothers Inc.

CHICAGO, Sept 15, 2008 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- In response to media inquiries CME Group (Nasdaq: CME), the world's largest and most diverse derivatives exchange, has issued the following statement:

Lehman Brothers Inc., the CME Group clearing member, continues to meet all of its obligations to CME Clearing and continues to operate as normal.

CME Group's clearing member, Lehman Brothers Inc., is a subsidiary of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc., but is a separate company with its own accounts, assets and customers. These accounts, assets and customers are protected through a comprehensive federal statutory and regulatory regime and other financial safeguards and risk management protections provided by CME Clearing. All customer funds are required to be segregated from firm assets, held in specially identified accounts and are not subject to any creditors' claims against the firm.

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