

MSCI CHINA A VALUE AND GROWTH INDICES AUGUST 2008 QUARTERLY INDEX REVIEW

Shanghai – August 14, 2008 – MSCI Barra (NYSE:MXB), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, including indices and portfolio risk and performance analytics, announced today changes to the MSCI China A Value and Growth Indices that will be made as of the close of August 29, 2008. These changes result from the August 2008 Quarterly Index Review. The full list of additions to and deletions from the MSCI China A Value and Growth Indices has been posted on MSCI Barra's web site at http://www.mscibarra.com/products/indices/china.

Bank of Communications A will be added to the MSCI China A Value Index and the MSCI China A Absolute Value Index. Industrial Bank A will be added to the MSCI China A Growth Index, the MSCI China A Absolute Value Index and the MSCI China A Absolute Growth Index.

As a reminder, style reviews during Quarterly Index Reviews are only conducted for new additions to the MSCI China A Index. All securities deleted from the MSCI China A Index as a result of the Quarterly Index Review will also be deleted from the MSCI China A Value and Growth Indices and the MSCI China A Absolute Value and Growth Index Series.

In addition, there will be changes for certain constituents resulting from the quarterly review of Domestic Inclusion Factors (DIF) and quarterly updates in number of shares (NOS) for the MSCI China A Index, which will also be made as of the close of August 29, 2008.

The results of the August 2008 Quarterly Index Review for MSCI Global Standard Indices, the MSCI Global Small Cap Indices, the MSCI Global Value and Growth Indices, the MSCI Frontier Markets Indices, the MSCI Pan-Euro and MSCI Euro Indices, the MSCI Asia APEX 50 Index, the MSCI KOKUNAI Japan Equity Indices, the MSCI Global Islamic Indices, the MSCI US Equity Indices as well as the MSCI US REIT Index have also been posted on MSCI Barra's web site at www.mscibarra.com.

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