

MSCI China A Index Forms the Basis of New China A Shares ETF from Harvest Global Investments

Hong Kong – October 12, 2012 – MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, is pleased to announce that the MSCI China A Index is the underlying index for a new ETF launched by Harvest Global Investments on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong under the RQFII scheme.

“We are delighted to have licensed our flagship MSCI China A Index to Harvest Global Investments for the creation of the Harvest MSCI China A Index ETF,” said Henry Fernandez, Chairman and CEO of MSCI Inc. “The MSCI China A Index features broad, diversified and liquid coverage of the domestic China A shares opportunity set.”

Henry Zhao, Chairman of Harvest Global Investments, said, “Harvest strongly believes that introducing the first ETF based on the MSCI China A Index demonstrates our commitment to offering global investors diversified access to the growth opportunities of the domestic China A shares market. The breadth and depth of the MSCI China A Index differentiates it from the other indices currently available for the China equity market.”

The MSCI China A Index is constructed based on the same methodology as the MSCI Global Investable Market Indices, which are widely adopted by international investors. This consistency of methodology allows investors to analyze the opportunity set of the China A shares market in the same manner as other global equity markets. Key features of the MSCI China A Index include:

- Target 85% free float market capitalization coverage
- Broad industry representation
- Current number of index constituents is 541*

With no fixed number of index constituents, the MSCI China A Index is able to reflect the ongoing evolution of this market’s structure.

For more information: [MSCI China A Index Factsheet](#)

* As of September 28, 2012

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The company’s flagship product offerings are: the MSCI indices with approximately USD 7 trillion estimated to be benchmarked to them on a worldwide basis¹; Barra multi-asset class factor models, portfolio risk and performance analytics; RiskMetrics multi-asset class market and credit risk analytics; MSCI ESG (environmental, social and governance) Research screening, analysis

and ratings; ISS governance research and outsourced proxy voting and reporting services; FEA valuation models and risk management software for the energy and commodities markets; and CFRA forensic accounting risk research, legal/regulatory risk assessment, and due-diligence. MSCI is headquartered in New York, with research and commercial offices around the world.

¹As of June 30, 2011, based on eVestment, Lipper and Bloomberg data.

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