

Mariner Investment Group Chooses MSCI ESG Research's Portfolio Analytics

New York –September 10, 2013– MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, announced today that Mariner Investment Group, LLC, a global alternative asset management company, has selected MSCI ESG Research to provide environmental, social, and governance (ESG) ratings and portfolio analysis tools.

Mariner has subscribed to MSCI ESG Portfolio Analytics, a reporting tool that is designed to assess a given portfolio's ESG risk profile and measure its ESG characteristics relative to index benchmarks. Mariner is also providing valuable client feedback to help MSCI ESG Research develop additional products to meet the unique needs of the alternative asset management industry.

Remy Briand, Managing Director and Head of MSCI Index and ESG Research, said, "We are proud to work with Mariner, a pioneer in ESG integration. Mariner has indicated that ESG ratings and tools are important criteria to consider in their investment decision-making processes, and they believe that these tools can positively contribute to clients' long term investment goals. We look forward to working with Mariner as we expand the scope of our ESG research and reporting tools for the alternative asset management industry."

Responsible investment is an integral part of Mariner's investment beliefs. "We believe our role as investors and global citizens requires that we work together toward a productive and sustainable future in a way that supports a healthy environment and positive economic development," said Mariner's Chief Executive Officer, Bracebridge Young, Jr. "We look forward to a fruitful relationship with MSCI ESG Research and the long-term benefits this may afford."

MSCI ESG Research products support the integration of ESG factors into investment processes across asset classes and facilitate the implementation of the six Principles for Responsible Investment.

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About MSCI ESG Research

MSCI ESG Research products and services are designed to provide in-depth research, ratings and analysis of environmental, social and governance-related business practices to companies worldwide. ESG ratings, data and analysis from MSCI ESG Research are also used in the construction of the MSCI ESG Indices. MSCI ESG Research is produced by MSCI's indirect wholly-owned subsidiary Institutional Shareholder Services, Inc. ("ISS"). ISS is a Registered Investment Adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

For further information on MSCI ESG Research, contact esgclientservice@msci.com, or visit www.msci.com/esg

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MSCI Inc. is a leading provider of investment decision support tools to investors globally, including asset managers, banks, hedge funds and pension funds. MSCI products and services include indices, portfolio risk and performance analytics, and governance tools.

The company's flagship product offerings are: the MSCI indices with close to 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; IPD real estate information, indices and analytics; MSCI ESG (environmental, social and governance) Research screening, analysis and ratings; ISS governance research and outsourced proxy voting and reporting services; and FEA valuation models and risk management software for the energy and commodities markets. MSCI is headquartered in New York, with research and commercial offices around the world.

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