

## First State Super Selects MSCI Multi-Asset Class Risk Management Platform

**Sydney – July 30, 2014** – <u>MSCI</u> Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, announced today that one of Australia's largest superannuation funds, First State Super (FTC), has selected <u>BarraOne</u>, MSCI's multi-asset class risk management and performance attribution platform, to help the continued evolution of their investment process.

Richard Brandweiner, Chief Investment Officer for FTC said, "During the selection process we spent a considerable amount of time with a number of providers as well as their current users. This was to ensure we selected a high quality product that we can understand and extract a considerable amount of value from."

BarraOne provides integrated risk and performance analytics with global, multi-asset class coverage for public and private asset portfolios and has been widely adopted by leading asset owners. FTC's investment team will use BarraOne to run regular risk analysis across the portfolio to help validate where the various risks are.

Mr Brandweiner added, "We are delighted to deepen our relationship with MSCI. We are current users of a number of their other tools and have been impressed with the quality and service they provide."

Michael Anderson, Executive Director and Head of MSCI Australia, said, "The continued adoption of BarraOne by some of the largest fund managers in Australia reinforces the value of MSCI's risk tools and the strong demand from institutional investors for our products and services as the profile of risk management continues to rise. We look forward to working with FTC, one of Australia's largest and most influential super funds, as they further develop their risk management processes."

BarraOne is a global, multi-asset platform for total plan risk and performance, providing multiple views of risk, including common factor, stress testing, Value at Risk (VaR) and sensitivity-based analytics. For more information on BarraOne, please visit our <u>website</u>.

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The company's flagship product offerings are: the MSCI indexes with over USD 9 trillion estimated to be benchmarked to them on a worldwide basis<sup>1</sup>; Barra multi-asset class factor models, portfolio risk and performance analytics; RiskMetrics multi-asset class market and credit risk analytics; IPD real estate information, indexes and analytics; MSCI ESG (environmental, social and governance) Research screening, analysis and ratings; 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.

<sup>1</sup>As of March 31, 2014, as reported on June 25, 2014, by eVestment, Lipper and Bloomberg

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