

MSCI ESG Research Launches MSCI ESG DataMetrics

Comprehensive environmental, social and governance (ESG) raw data and indicators now available to support ESG integration

New York – October 15, 2013 – <u>MSCI</u> Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, announced today the launch of <u>MSCI ESG DataMetrics</u>, a comprehensive set of ESG scores, indicators and raw data to facilitate quantitative analysis, development of proprietary ESG models and reporting on ESG and portfolio footprint analysis.

Remy Briand, Managing Director and Head of MSCI Index and ESG Research, said, "With investor awareness on ESG issues growing and the market maturing, there is a clear need both for access to the underlying metrics that support MSCI ESG Research's analyst assessments as well as for historical data. Clients have requested access to quantitative ESG data and metrics in order to better facilitate ESG integration and analysis. We are happy to provide a substantive set of metrics with the MSCI ESG DataMetrics product."

MSCI ESG DataMetrics offers 174 metrics on eight ESG issues for all companies on the MSCI World Index, such as Carbon Emissions, Water Stress, Labor Management, and Corporate Governance. These metrics include four years of raw data, including water use and lost-time injury rates; indicators on business and geographic risk exposure; policies, systems, and targets; and seven years of historical data on ESG ratings and scores. With comprehensive cross-industry metrics, users can identify trends and select ESG data that is most relevant to their views and those of their clients.

In addition to cross-industry metrics on eight ESG issues, MSCI ESG DataMetrics also offers over 350 industry-specific metrics that inform the key issues of MSCI ESG Research's rating model, MSCI ESG IVA.

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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 whollyowned subsidiary Institutional Shareholder Services, Inc. ("ISS"). ISS is a Registered Investment Adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

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The company's flagship product offerings are: the MSCI indices with approximately USD 7.5 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 corporate governance research, data 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.

¹As of March 31, 2013, as reported on July 31, 2013 by eVestment, Lipper and Bloomberg

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