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TO: OPRA Market Data Recipients
FROM: Joe Corrigan
RE: December 20, 2005 Outage

On December 20, 2005, the OPRA system was impacted from approximately 9:30 a.m. Eastern time to 11:20 a.m. Eastern time due to hardware failures on both a primary and a backup server. SIAC, the OPRA processor, has advised OPRA that they have taken the appropriate actions to repair/replace the failed equipment and put additional backup in place. No message traffic was lost.

We regret any inconvenience the outage may have caused.

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