March 17, 2005

Dear OPRA Market Data Recipients:

Equity and index options message traffic is disseminated over eight IP multicast lines designated as Lines 2 thru 9. The traffic is distributed over the lines based on the first letter of the security symbol of the option. To better balance the traffic over the lines and reduce the possibility of a sequence number rollover, the distribution will change at the start of day on Thursday, March 31, 2005. The new traffic distribution is as follows:

- Line 2: H, I, O, R
- Line 3: A, S
- Line 4: B, F, L, N
- Line 5: M, W
- Line 6: C, E, J, P
- Line 7: G, Q, T, Z
- Line 8: D, X, Y
- Line 9: K, U, V

Foreign currency options traffic will continue to be sent on Line 1.

If you have any questions, please call.

Very truly yours,

Joe Corrigan
Executive Director

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