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INVESTOR CONFIDENCE INDEX RISES FROM 72.3 TO 81.0 IN MAY

Boston, May 20, 2008 – State Street Global Markets, the investment research and trading arm of State Street Corporation (NYSE:STT), today released the results of the State Street Investor Confidence Index[®] for May 2008.

Global Investor Confidence rose by 8.7 points to 81.0 from a revised April level of 72.3. North American investors were the key drivers of this, as their risk appetite increased by 8.0 points from 77.0 to 85.0. In other regions, the confidence levels saw negligible changes from the previous month, with European investor confidence falling by 0.5 points to 76.3 and Asian investor confidence rose by 0.2 to 86.4.

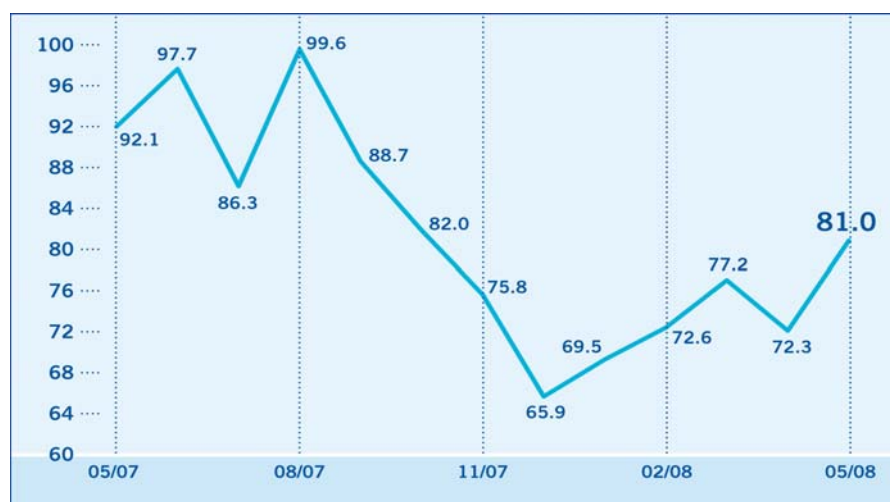
Developed through State Street Global Markets' research partnership, State Street Associates, by Harvard University professor Ken Froot and State Street Associates Director Paul O'Connell, the State Street Investor Confidence Index measures investor confidence on a quantitative basis by analyzing the actual buying and selling patterns of institutional investors. The index is based on financial theory that assigns precise meaning to changes in investor risk appetite, or the willingness of investors to allocate their portfolios to equities. The more of their portfolio that institutional investors are willing to devote to equities, the greater their risk appetite or confidence.

"While not quite as big as the bounce seen after August 2007, this month's increase in Global represents a significant move," commented Froot. "It continues the improvement in sentiment that our Index first registered in January, and suggests that the outlook of



institutional investors is brighter than it has been for some time.”

“With European confidence remaining essentially flat this month, we note something of a divergence in the timing of the cycle on each side of the Atlantic,” added O’Connell. “The confidence of European institutions remained buoyant right up through the first quarter, prompting some talk of ‘European de-coupling.’ Our latest data suggests that it is not so much that Europe is de-coupled, as it is that Europe is delayed relative to the US in experiencing the effects of the current slow-down.”



May Results

Global	81.0
N. America	85.0
Europe	76.3
Asia-Pacific	86.4

About State Street Global Markets:

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State Street Global Markets’ research team of leading academic and industry experts is committed to continually advancing the science, including theory and application of its proprietary investor behavior research and innovative portfolio & risk management

technologies to help its clients challenge conventional thinking, shape ideas, make more informed investment decisions and deliver measurable results.

About the State Street Investor Confidence Index[®]:

The index is released globally at 10 a.m. Eastern time in Boston on the second to last Tuesday of each month. More information on the State Street Investor Confidence Index, including frequently asked questions and a calendar of release dates, is available at <http://www.statestreet.com/investorconfidenceindex>. The previous month's calculations for the index are revised to account for trading activity through the end of the reporting period.

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