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AST, CST and Wells Fargo join Link's Global Share Alliance

Link Market Services Limited (Link), a leading provider of share registry and financial services in Australasia, today announced a significant expansion of its Global Share Alliance (GSA) to include North American share registrars American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC (AST), Canadian Stock Transfer Company Inc. (CST) and Wells Fargo Shareowner Services (Wells Fargo).

The expansion means the GSA now provides market-leading financial services and technology to globally listed companies in Australia, Hong Kong, the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, India, Singapore, Malaysia and South Africa.

The combined Alliance now represents over 40 million shareholders and provides services to more than 5,000 companies worldwide. The offering is based on global best practice, local expertise and a unique value add client offering.

Link, which provides registry and other services to over 80% of the S&P ASX100, established the Global Share Alliance with co-founding members Equiniti and Tricor in 2011, to support international businesses requiring global corporate actions, share registration and employee share plan services across multiple jurisdictions using a common integrated platform.

Together AST and CST provide comprehensive stock transfer and employee plan services to more than 8,000 public issues and over 5.5 million shareholders, with clients ranging in size from initial public offerings to Fortune 100 companies.

Wells Fargo Shareowner Services is the stock transfer agent for over 850 corporations, representing more than 8.2 million shareholders across the United States. Wells Fargo also provides a full range of stock transfer and record-keeping services including dividend disbursement and dividend reinvestment plans, direct stock purchase and employee stock purchase plans, proxy tabulation, and shareholder meeting services.

Commenting on the announcement, Phillip Muhlbauer, Chief Executive Officer of Link Market Services, said:

"Link is delighted that AST, CST and Wells Fargo have formally joined the Global Share Alliance, which now extends to all major capital markets in the world. The GSA enhances our global offering at a time when we are seeing increased demand for global solutions from our existing clients as well as new clients".

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About Link Market Services

Link Market Services Limited is Australia's leading share registry and financial services provider, managing over 10 million account records, over 1,000 ASX securities and over \$500 billion in investments. Link is dedicated to the provision of premium service, utilising innovative technology and industry expertise to deliver tailored best practice solutions and value to clients, employees and investors.

Link's suite of services are comprehensive, incorporating core registry and capital market services, as well as various specialist functions including the provision of employee plan solutions, company secretarial services, shareholder analytics and communication solutions. Link provides services to over 80% of the S&P/ASX 100.

The Link Group of companies provide services in Australia, the United Kingdom, France, New Zealand, India, Papua New Guinea, South Africa, Canada and the United States.

www.linkmarketservices.com.au

About AST and CST

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC is a leading provider of registry services and technology to financial market participants in North America, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, India, South Africa and the United Kingdom. AST and its partner, Canadian Stock Transfer (CST), form the North American division of the Link Group. Together AST and CST provide comprehensive stock transfer and employee plan services to more than 8,000 public issues and over 5.5 million shareholders, ranging in size from initial public offerings to Fortune 100 companies.

www.amstock.com

About Equiniti:

Equiniti is the UK's leading provider of share registration, retail investor services and employee share plans, acting for 54 per cent of the FTSE 100 companies and 40 per cent of the FTSE 250. Equiniti is responsible for 17 million shareholder accounts and over 3 million employees.

It is part of the Equiniti Group, which is also a leading specialist provider of pensions administration and payments services. The Equiniti Group serves over 1,700 clients, has combined revenues of over £300 million, and makes payments totalling over £11 billion per annum to pensioners, dependents and annuitants in over 180 countries worldwide.

www.equiniti.com

About Tricor Group

Tricor Group ("Tricor"), a member of The Bank of East Asia Group, is a global provider of integrated Business, Corporate and Investor Services.

Tricor operates from 27 cities in 15 countries/territories, with offices in Hong Kong (Head Office), Barbados, British Virgin Islands, Brunei, Dubai UAE, India, Indonesia, Japan, Labuan, Macau, Mainland China, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand and the United Kingdom.





Our professional specialists provide a comprehensive range of services including: Accounting; China Entry & Consulting; Company Formation, Corporate Governance & Company Secretarial; Executive Search & Human Resources Consulting; Initial Public Offerings & Share Registration; Fund, Payroll, Treasury & Trust Administration; and Management Consulting.

For more information on Tricor, please visit:

www.tricorglobal.com

About Wells Fargo

Wells Fargo Shareowner Services is the stock transfer agent for over 850 corporations, representing more than 8.2 million shareholders nationwide. Wells Fargo provides a full array of stock transfer and recordkeeping services including dividend disbursement and dividend reinvestment plans, direct stock purchase and employee stock purchase plans, proxy tabulation, and shareholder meeting services.

Wells Fargo & Company (NYSE: WFC) is a nationwide, diversified, community-based financial services company with \$1.3 trillion in assets. Founded in 1852 and headquartered in San Francisco, Wells Fargo provides banking, insurance, investments, mortgage, and consumer and commercial finance through more than 9,000 stores, 12,000 ATMs, the Internet (wellsfargo.com), and other distribution channels across North America and internationally. With more than 270,000 team members, Wells Fargo serves one in three households in America. Wells Fargo & Company was ranked No. 23 on *Fortune's* 2011 rankings of America's largest corporations. Wells Fargo's vision is to satisfy all our customers' financial needs and help them succeed financially.

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