Moody's Launches New Web-Based Access to Opinion and Research

NEW YORK--June 4, 2001--Moody's Investors Service, a subsidiary of Moody's Corporation (NYSE: MCO), today launched Moodys.com credit research service (www.moodys.com), the fastest and most convenient way to access Moody's credit ratings, research, and analysts' financial opinions covering $30 trillion of fixed-income obligations in more than 100 countries.

The site provides advanced features, including e-mail notification of rating actions and new research affecting direct portfolios; full-text search capabilities; immediate ratings lookup, and continuously updated highlights of the day's most important, market-moving rating announcements and research.

Moodys.com is the result of two years of research and client feedback on the company's existing site, MoodysResearch.com. Clients accustomed to using MoodysResearch.com will be able to take advantage of the new features Moodys.com has to offer, as well as the features they currently enjoy as a subscriber to Moody's web-delivered research.

Announcing the site, Thomas Hughes, Internet strategist for Moody's, said: "Over the past two years, Moody's has operated the leading credit research extranet for investors, issuers, and intermediaries in the debt capital markets. Moodys.com will extend our leadership in serving those constituencies."

Hughes explains that Moodys.com's portfolio-based e-mail notification feature provides immediate notification whenever rating announcements or new research is published relevant to user-tailored portfolios. Each e-mail includes a link to the full report on Moodys.com, allowing for quick and efficient access.

The new site also offers advanced, full-text search engines and an archive of research published over the last 10 years, providing for quick access to more than 400,000 research reports, rating actions, economic commentaries, rating methodologies, special comments, industry studies, sector outlooks, and watchlist information covering 6,000 debt issuers.

Clients who use the new site will be able to take advantage of immediate ratings look-up covering over 160,000 issues as well as viewing highlights of the day's most important rating announcements and full research issued on entities in more than 100 countries.

Clients can access Moody's opinion on bank loans, bank deposits, leveraged finance, project finance, managed funds, insurance, US and non-US banking, sovereigns, asset backed commercial paper, asset backed securities, commercial mortgage backed securities, residential mortgage backed securities, collateralized debt obligations and derivatives, US public finance, and risk management research.

Moodys.com also offers online access to Moody's team of 700 analysts worldwide and includes an online calendar that alerts clients to upcoming events such as issuer briefings, teleconferences, and credit training sessions.

Moody's Investors Service, a subsidiary of Moody's Corporation (NYSE:MCO), is the leading provider of credit ratings, research, and analysis covering debt instruments and securities in the global capital markets. The company, with offices in New York, Tokyo, London, Paris, Sydney, San Francisco, Dublin, Dallas, Madrid, Toronto, Hong Kong, Singapore, Limassol, Sao Paulo, Milan, Buenos Aires, and Mexico City, issues ratings on more than 85,000 corporate and government securities, 4,200 corporations, and 68,000 public finance debt securities issued by corporations and governments in more than 100 nations.

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