



ISE Introduces Latency Improvements in Optimise™ 2.0 Release

New York, December 21, 2011 – The International Securities Exchange (ISE) implemented its latest technology release to enhance its new trading system based on Deutsche Börse Group's OptimiseTM trading architecture. Technology Release 2.0 introduced several features that target further latency reductions for the system. As a result, median system latency was improved by an additional 10 percent. The release also achieved incremental reductions in the system's latency tail of 20 percent.

Importantly, Release 2.0 implements the necessary technical changes for ISE to launch a latency reduction initiative early next year with its member firms that connect through ISE's Direct Trading Interface (DTI).

With an Optimise release cycle of approximately every two months, Release 2.0 marks the third upgrade to the system since its rollout in July 2011.

About Optimise™

Optimise™, the core, proprietary global trading architecture of Deutsche Börse Group, represents a world-class, state-of-the-art trading system. The defining attributes of Optimise™ are speed, performance, efficiency, capacity, throughput, reliability and availability. The global trading infrastructure meets customer needs by minimizing latency and maximizing throughput while maintaining high standards of reliability and excellence. Its flexible design allows the creation of applications and functionalities unique to each market structure and client base as well as rapid technology upgrades. Therefore, it can serve as the common technology backbone for other Deutsche Börse Group exchanges.

About ISE

The International Securities Exchange (ISE) operates a leading U.S. options exchange and offers options trading on over 2,000 underlying equity, ETF, index, and FX products. As the first all-electronic options exchange in the U.S., ISE transformed the options industry by creating efficient markets through innovative market structure and technology. Regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and a member-owner of The Options Clearing Corporation (OCC), ISE provides investors with a transparent marketplace for price and liquidity discovery on centrally cleared options products. ISE continues to expand its marketplace through the ongoing development of enhanced trading functionality, new products, and market data services. As a complement to its options business, ISE has expanded its reach into multiple asset classes through strategic investments in financial marketplaces and services that foster technology innovation and market efficiency. Through minority investments, ISE participates in the securities lending and equities markets. ISE also licenses its proprietary Longitude technology for trading in event-driven derivatives markets.

ISE is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eurex, a leading global derivatives exchange. Eurex itself is jointly operated by Deutsche Börse AG (Ticker: DB1) and SIX Swiss Exchange AG. Together, Eurex and ISE are the global market leader in individual equity and equity index derivatives. For more information, visit www.ise.com.

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