



ABR Financial Selects Chi-Tech's MarketPrizm Ultra Low Latency Trading Infrastructure Service

LONDON – December 22, 2009 – Chi-X® Global Technology, LLC (“Chi-Tech™”), the technology services unit of Chi-X Global Inc., today announced that its MarketPrizm™ infrastructure service has been selected by ABR Financial to power its high frequency and algorithmic trading applications.

ABR Financial, a privately-held investment firm based in Amsterdam, is using a number of the MarketPrizm service components. Connected to MarketPrizm's high speed network, PrizmNet™, ABR receives low latency market data from various European trading venues, utilizes the network to send orders to markets in the region, and uses the colocation service provided by MarketPrizm.

MarketPrizm is an infrastructure service designed as a trading ecosystem, comprised of connectivity, market data, and colocation and proximity hosting, as well as a range of applications and services from leading providers. MarketPrizm's unique model provides clients with neutral access to the markets and a continually expanding range of third-party applications. Its flexible delivery framework empowers clients with a wide range of options for applications and services, and offers third party application providers a compelling distribution channel. The MarketPrizm ecosystem is powered by a high speed, bespoke network optimized for latency-sensitive electronic trading strategies including high frequency and algorithmic trading.

“We continually work to increase performance, flexibility and operational efficiency in our trading operations. Particularly in the changing and innovating European financial markets environment, this is more essential than ever for maintaining our competitive advantage,” said Walter Hendriks, Managing Director for ABR Financial. “We selected MarketPrizm to serve as a high performance, convenient infrastructure foundation for our high frequency trading activities. We have been very pleased with the performance of the infrastructure, as well as the high standard of technical services provided by the group. We highly value the commitment, excellent communication and technical expertise of this professional partner that understands our business needs.”

Nicolas Levy, Chi-Tech's Managing Director for MarketPrizm, said, “We are very happy that ABR selected MarketPrizm to host their algorithmic and high frequency trading applications and to provide the infrastructure services to support them. Our core focus is providing the highest performing, most cost effective and flexible infrastructure for firms conducting all types of electronic trading in the European markets today, where speed and low latency are mission-critical. We certainly look forward to a long and successful relationship with the forward-thinking ABR Financial, supporting their business strategy and operational requirements.”

MarketPrizm's range of connectivity options, market data feeds and component applications are delivered via a flexible framework that allows clients to select the precise solution that meets their business and technology requirements. It offers clients the cost-savings of a managed service and the convenience of one-stop provisioning.

MarketPrizm is a Chi-Tech business line focused on providing trading infrastructure and services to banks, funds, and other investment and trading firms. In a separate business line, Chi-Tech also provides trading technology platforms to exchanges and market centers.



About ABR Financial

ABR Financial, located at the World Trade Center in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, has its primary business and operating models targeting pan-European derivatives markets for market making activities and providing liquidity to pan-European equity markets. In addition, ABR Financial is currently investigating brokerage opportunities on several markets to facilitate large Dutch and other international institutional clients and provide them with execution-only services. Besides actively participating in the financial markets, ABR Financial can provide financial institutions and regulators with professional consulting for their capital markets business. ABR Financial has employed skilled and experienced project managers with in-depth knowledge of subjects like MiFID, Market Abuse and Asset Management. For more information, visit www.abrfinancial.nl

About MarketPrizm™

MarketPrizm is a European trading ecosystem designed to solve the challenges firms face in deploying and maintaining a flexible, state-of-the-art architecture for all types of electronic trading. Powered by a high performance, optimized bespoke network, MarketPrizm provides neutral access to the region's market centers. It also offers a fully redundant colocation and proximity hosting infrastructure, a range of application services, and ultra low latency market data delivered via a logical mesh network structure. For more information, visit www.marketprizm.com.

About Chi-Tech™

As the technology services unit of Chi-X Global Inc., Chi-X Global Technology, LLC ("Chi-Tech") provides high performance trading infrastructure and services for financial markets and participants. For exchanges and market centers, the company provides comprehensive trading infrastructure solutions, using a scalable platform of advanced marketplace technology and tools. For banks, funds and other market participants, the company's MarketPrizm business line offers a fully-managed trading network and ecosystem comprised of multi-venue connectivity, colocation and hosting, low latency market data, and leading third-party applications. Chi-Tech's focus is delivering solutions that help the world's marketplaces and their participants to lower costs, reduce risk and maximize competitive advantage. For more information on the company, visit www.chi-tech.com.

About Chi-X® Global

A subsidiary of electronic trading pioneer Instinet, Chi-X Global is a global provider of market infrastructure technologies and trading venues. Through regional trading platforms, Chi-X Global aims to provide investors around the world with the most efficient markets possible through their high-speed, low-cost, intelligent trading models, while its separately operated Chi-Tech services unit, whose data management and trading technologies have been deployed by some of the world's leading exchanges and financial firms, provides a range of end-to-end trading and market data technologies. Chi-X Global believes that truly competitive, technology-driven markets benefit all participants in the trading process – investors, brokers and the primary exchanges – by making the market more attractive to the global trading community, which ultimately helps to increase overall market volumes and improve investor performance. The name Chi-X is derived from the 22nd letter of the Greek alphabet, "χ" (Chi), symbolizing the "crossing," or matching, of the two sides of a trade. Along with the "X" from the English alphabet, the name signifies a combination of the old world and modern world, or traditional securities trading techniques married with cutting-edge technology.

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