### ConfirmHub Announces TFS Energy's Intent to Join the Group of Member Brokers

HOUSTON/ NEW YORK/ LOUISVILLE/JERSEY CITY, December 12, 2006 – ConfirmHub, LLC announces TFS Energy's execution of a Letter of Intent to join Amerex, GFI Group, ICAP, Tullett Prebon and Spectron Energy as members.

Electronic trade confirmations from ConfirmHub broker members are available via a single secure connection in a standard format and language with technology provided by GlobalView Software, Inc. The members of ConfirmHub believe that this service increases efficiency and accuracy in transaction capture, processing and confirmation while saving the user valuable time and back-office resources.

Over fifty large energy trading companies currently subscribe to ConfirmHub.

Mike Prokop, Executive Vice President of Amerex Brokers LLC, a founding member of ConfirmHub, said, "We are very excited to announce TFS Energy's intention to join ConfirmHub. With six of the energy industry's largest OTC brokers now adopting the ConfirmHub standard, customers will continue to benefit from the trade confirmation advantages that ConfirmHub has to offer."

Alan Kurzer, President of TFS Energy, adds "We are pleased to have made this first step in joining ConfirmHub. We feel this is the best response to customer demand for a standardized confirmation system. We expect extremely positive feedback from our customers when they learn of our decision to join ConfirmHub."

For more information about ConfirmHub and how to become a ConfirmHub customer please visit <a href="https://www.confirmhub.com">www.confirmhub.com</a>.

#### **About Amerex Brokers LLC**

Founded in 1978, Amerex is a leading over-the-counter energy brokerage offering services in electricity, natural gas, emission credits and allowances, retail energy procurement and energy data services. From its office in Houston, Amerex offers liquidity and timely execution to meet the needs of a global client network of more than 1,000 firms including thousands of traders and risk management professionals. For additional information, please visit <a href="https://www.amerexenergy.com">www.amerexenergy.com</a>.

Amerex Brokers LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GFI Group ("GFIG"), a leading inter-dealer broker with a significant presence in the global OTC energy derivatives markets. Following the acquisition of Amerex, GFI has one of the largest OTC energy brokerage businesses in North America.

# **About GFI Group Inc.**

GFI Group Inc. (Nasdaq: GFIG - <a href="www.GFIgroup.com">www.GFIgroup.com</a>) is a leading inter-dealer broker specializing in over-the-counter derivatives products and related securities. GFI Group Inc. provides brokerage services, market data and analytics software products to institutional clients in markets for a range of credit, financial, equity and commodity instruments.

Headquartered in New York, GFI was founded in 1987 and employs more than 1,300 people with additional offices in London, Paris, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Singapore, Sydney, Englewood (NJ), and Sugar Land (TX). GFI provides services and products to over 1,700 institutional clients, including leading investment and commercial banks, corporations, insurance companies and hedge funds. Its brands include GFI™, Starsupply®, GFInet®, CreditMatch®, FENICS® and Amerex®. For additional information, please visit www.gfigroup.com.

# **About ICAP Energy**

ICAP Energy is the energy-focused commodity arm of ICAP plc, providing specialist intermediary execution and clearing services for base and precious metals, emission credits, crude oil and oil products, electricity, natural gas, coal, freight and weather derivatives. ICAP Energy is a leading global energy broker with operations in ten centers throughout the world. For additional information, please visit <a href="https://www.icapenergy.com">www.icapenergy.com</a>.

ICAP is the world's largest voice and electronic interdealer broker with a daily average transaction volume in excess of \$1 trillion, 50% of which is electronic. The Group is active in the wholesale market for interest rate, credit, foreign exchange, energy and equity products. With over 3,400 staff, ICAP has a strong presence in each of the three major financial markets, London, New York and Tokyo, together with a local presence in 20 other financial centres. For more information go to <a href="https://www.icap.com">www.icap.com</a>.

### **About Prebon Energy**

Prebon Energy is a leading global energy broker providing power marketers, utilities, producers, risk managers and institutions with a single comprehensive source for price information and liquidity in a broad and expanding range of energy markets, including natural gas, oil and power.

Prebon Energy is a division of Tullett Prebon, the inter dealer broker and part of Collins Stewart Tullett plc. Tullett Prebon operates as an intermediary in wholesale financial markets facilitating the trading activities of its clients, in particular commercial and investment banks. The business now covers seven major product groups: Volatility, Rates, Non Banking & Sterling Cash, Treasury, Energy, Credit & CDS, and Equities. Tullett Prebon's electronic trading platform, TradeBlade™, was launched in January 2006 and currently trades two products, US Dollar Repos and US Treasuries. For additional information, please visit www.tullettprebon.com.

# **About Spectron Group**

Specializing in energy & commodities only, Spectron Group is a leading global broker in a number of markets, including natural gas, electricity, oil, coal, weather, petroleum products, environmental products and uranium – more than \$150 billion worth of energy products trades through Spectron annually. Over the last two years Spectron has overseen major expansion in the US, where it now has five offices.

A winner of numerous industry awards for customer service and innovation, Spectron has been involved in developing online trading technology since 1994 and was the first company to launch an online platform for metals and coal. Spectron is also a leading specialist provider of other energy market services, including market data, energy indices, OTC clearing and consultancy. For more information please visit <a href="https://www.spectrongroup.com">www.spectrongroup.com</a>.

#### About TFS

Founded in 1985, TFS is a market leader in the brokering of financial and non-financial products. With offices worldwide, the Company covers currency options, equity and property derivatives, freight, precious metals, energy and pulp & paper markets. TFS Energy brokers a full spectrum of OTC energy and energy-related physical and derivative products, including electricity, natural gas, crude oil and refined products, coal, environmental products, weather derivatives, and exchange-traded futures and options. In the prestigious *Energy Risk* awards, TFS was voted the best broker of Weather Derivatives in 2006. In *Energy Risk*'s annual commodity rankings, TFS was ranked in 36 categories with nine No. 1 places. In *Commodities Now* rankings, TFS was awarded 'The Energy Broker of the Year' for 2005. TFS is a subsidiary of Compagnie Financière Tradition (CFT), one of the world's top three inter-dealer brokers in financial and commodity-related products with a presence in 21 countries and 2,200 employees. CFT is listed on the Swiss Exchange (Symbol: CFT). For further information, please visit <a href="https://www.tfsenergy.com">www.tfsenergy.com</a>.

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# **Forward Looking Statements**

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