

**Annual General Meeting of Zurich Financial Services approves dividend of CHF 15 and elects two new board members**

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Zurich, April 3, 2008 – The Annual General Meeting of Zurich Financial Services today approved a gross dividend of CHF 15 per registered share representing a 36 percent increase over the 2007 CHF 11 total gross dividend. The net dividend of CHF 9.75 per share will be paid from April 8, 2008 on to those shareholders who will hold Zurich Financial Services shares on April 7, 2008.

The Annual General Meeting elected Susan Bies and Victor L.L. Chu new members of the Board of Directors, each for a two-year term. In addition, Messrs Manfred Gentz, Fred Kindle and Tom de Swaan were re-elected members of the Board of Directors for a three-year term each.

The Board of Directors now consists of the following members:

- Manfred Gentz, Chairman
- Philippe O. Pidoux, Vice Chairman
- Susan Bies
- Victor L.L. Chu
- Tom de Swaan
- Thomas K. Escher
- Fred Kindle
- Armin Meyer
- Don Nicolaisen
- Vernon L. Sankey
- Rolf Watter



PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich, was elected as auditors for the business year 2008. Furthermore, OBT AG, Zurich, was re-elected as special auditors for a three-year term of office. The Annual General Meeting also approved all other agenda items. 1,582 shareholders (incl. proxies), representing 31,738,755 registered shares or 46.4 percent of the shares entitling to vote, attended the meeting in Zurich.

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