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### RiskMetrics Group Announces “What You Need to Know for 2008” Educational Series

*Ongoing Series Designed to Prepare Financial Market Participants for Critical Challenges in 2008*

New York, NY (December 20, 2007) – RiskMetrics Group, a leading provider of risk management and corporate governance services to the global financial community, announced today it is launching a new *What You Need to Know for 2008* educational program for clients and other interested parties. This unique initiative is designed to help investors and companies prepare for the 2008 proxy and earnings seasons by providing insight into critical governance and financial analysis topics.

The *What You Need to Know for 2008* series will bring together RiskMetrics Group’s thought leaders with a variety of industry experts to provide perspectives on key issues including: securities lending, climate change, accounting, securities litigation and more. The program features a Friday morning webcast that is supplemented by white papers, studies and additional information provided through RiskMetrics Group’s Knowledge Center and/or from external experts. In addition to the upcoming January topics, RiskMetrics Group already makes available an existing “What You Need to Know” library of content on timely issues such as the 2008 outlook for M&A; credit market risks from accounting, governance and risk perspectives; proxy voting policy updates; and trends in board practices. The schedule for the January series is as follows:

Date	What You Need to Know for 2008 Forums
January 4	Securities Lending and Share Recall
January 11	The Climate Megatrends: Implication for the Banking Industry
January 18	Accounting and Financial Reporting Risk
January 25	Trends in Securities Litigation
February 5-6	RiskMetrics Group U.S. Governance Conference, New York, New York

“RiskMetrics Group is committed to education and knowledge sharing,” said Cheryl Gustitus, Head of Marketing and Communications. “Through our new *What You Need to Know in 2008* educational series, we hope to fulfill at least part of our market leadership responsibilities by preparing our clients for the new year across a spectrum of governance, accounting and financial risk.”

To view the entire *What You Need to Know for 2008* series, or to register for any of next month’s forums, please visit: <http://www.riskmetrics.com/WYNTK2008/index.html>.

#### About RiskMetrics Group

RiskMetrics Group is a leading provider of risk management and corporate governance products and services to financial market participants. By bringing transparency, expertise and access to the financial markets, RiskMetrics Group helps investors better understand and manage the risks inherent in their financial portfolios. Our solutions address a broad spectrum of risk across our clients’ financial assets. Headquartered in New York with 19 global offices, RiskMetrics Group serves some of the most prestigious institutions and corporations worldwide. For more information, please visit: [www.riskmetrics.com](http://www.riskmetrics.com).

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