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RiskMetrics Group Awarded Contract by the Japan Government Pension Investment Fund

Mandate Entailed Studying Shareholder Voting Rights for Non-Japanese Equities

New York, NY (March 17, 2008) - RiskMetrics Group, a leading provider of risk management and corporate governance services to the global financial community, today announced the completion of a study for the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF) of Japan on shareholder voting rights for non-Japanese equities. The Fund commissioned RiskMetrics Group to perform the study in summer 2007, and the study is part of the Fund's efforts to examine how voting rights are being exercised for non-Japanese equities.

"This study is an important examination of voting rights for non-Japanese equities," said Marc Goldstein, Head of Research in Japan at RiskMetrics Group. "Our goal was to conduct a comprehensive and factual analysis across non-Japanese equities, in North America, Europe, and the Asia-Pacific region, as the Fund is conscious of the importance of corporate governance and proxy voting for the maximization of long-term shareholder value."

The GPIF is the world's largest governmental pension fund with assets under management of over 120 trillion Japanese Yen, 92 trillion of which is managed in equity and fixed income markets. The GPIF invests and manages the Reserve funds of Employees' Pension Insurance and National Pension system in Japan. The government pension system has been incorporated into the society and the national economy of Japan as a social basis to support the life of the people. GPIF was originally established in 1961 as the Pension Welfare Service Public Corporation, started investment activity in 1986, and changed its status in 2006 to an independent administrative institute.

For further information about the GPIF, please visit: www.gpif.go.jp.

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