The KLD Global Climate 100 Index Marks Second Year

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With Continued Strong Performance and Launch of First Domestic Investment Product

Boston, MA, July 12, 2007 – KLD Research & Analytics, Inc., an independent investment research and index provider, marked the second anniversary of its Global Climate 100 Index (GC100) – the first global index focused on solutions to climate change.

The Index has had strong performance numbers with an annualized total return of 23.55% from its launch on July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007 compared to 21.51% for the S&P/Citigroup BMI World Index.

Figure 1: Cumulative Total Return Since Inception

“We are pleased with the steady performance of the KLD Global Climate Index. What distinguishes this index from other environmentally-focused indexes is its broad
diversification of global companies in the climate solutions value chain,” said Thomas Kuh, managing director of KLD.

“This produces strong performance with lower volatility and less correlation to the price of oil than pure-play renewable energy indexes.”

The GC100’s second year also saw the April 24, 2007 launch of a unit investment trust (UIT) based on the KLD Global Climate 100 Index by Fixed Income Securities, L.P., acting through Advisor’s Asset Management. The UIT trades under the ticker symbol ADTKCX (Bloomberg).

Approximately $100 million is now invested in funds tied to the GC100.

The GC100’s original licensee Shinko Investment Trust Management (Japan) has managed the “Chikyuryoku Fund” based on the GC100 since July 2006.

Cominvest Asset Management Group, the asset management arm of German Commerzbank, has plans to use the Index as the benchmark for a new mutual fund focusing on climate change solutions.

**Climate Change Solutions**

Since the sources of greenhouse gases are dispersed across the global economy, the KLD Global Climate 100 Index includes both large and small global companies across the “climate solutions value chain”™.

These companies include producers, distributors, and consumers of:
- renewable energies such as solar and wind;
- future fuels such as natural gas and hydrogen; and
- innovations or applications of new technologies that help to reduce energy consumption and emissions of greenhouse gases.

“In the last two years, the global society has become fully conscious about climate change. De-carbonization and shifting investments to renewable energy, future fuels, and clean technology & efficiency constitute an answer to the challenge”, said Peter Meisen, Founder and President of the Global Energy Network Institute. GENI is a non-profit research institute that partnered with KLD in 2005 to launch the GC100 Index.

**Major Climate Developments in Last Twelve Months**

Over the past year, myriad reports issued by governments and international organizations underscore the importance of addressing global warming. These include:

- The Stern Review on the Economics of Climate Change, released October 2006. The Review states that the cost to avoid significant climate change would be significantly lower than the costs to combat it.
• In February 2007, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) issued their 4th Assessment Report. The Panel found that global warming is most likely due to an increase in human activities that produce greenhouse gases.

These findings have sparked action by the global community:

• Seven climate change bills currently being debated in the United States Congress address emissions caps and carbon trading.
• Australia’s government announced plans in February 2007, to phase-in energy efficient fluorescent and LED bulbs within the next three years.
• Canadian officials announced plans in April 2007 to achieve the same in five years.

As renewable energy continues to become increasingly cost competitive with fossil fuels, the opportunity to further mitigate climate change through the use of cleaner energy will be available to a wider audience.

**About KLD Indexes**
KLD indexes are widely accepted as the benchmarks for investment strategies that integrate environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors. KLD’s indexes are designed to be transparent, representative and investable.

In 1990, KLD launched the Domini 400 Social Index – the first socially responsible investment index. Today, more than $10 billion is invested in funds based on KLD indexes.

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