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American Stock Transfer & Trust Company Hires Matt Alden as Senior Vice President of Business Development

NEW YORK — August 5, 2010 -- American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC (AST) announced today that it has hired Matt Alden as Senior Vice President of Sales. Alden will be based in California and will be responsible for new business opportunities throughout the Western Region.

“We could not be more excited to have Matt join our sales team,” said Ken Staab, Executive Vice President and National Sales Director of AST. “His experience and reputation in the industry will fit perfectly into our growing team of equity services professionals, and we look forward to capitalizing on his energy, enthusiasm, and many industry contacts.”

“I am extremely excited to join the AST team and look forward to offering corporate issuers the high level of service that AST extends to their clients,” said Alden. “I am impressed with AST’s growth and commitment to this business. They have a great platform of services and are uniquely positioned to offer the most comprehensive solution in the industry.”

Alden has a diverse range of experience, including extensive knowledge of transfer agent services, equity plan solutions, proxy solicitation and corporate governance advisory services and shareholder response programs. Prior to joining AST, Matt served as Vice President of Business Development at the Laurel Hill Advisory Group and held senior roles at both Computershare and Georgeson. Alden is a member of the National Investor Relations Institute (NIRI), Society of Corporate Secretaries and Governance Professionals (“Society”) and the Shareholder Services Association (“SSA”).

About AST

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company provides comprehensive stock transfer and employee plan services to over 2,800 public companies and maintains approximately 6,000 issues. AST’s clients are located throughout the United States and in over 22 foreign countries, ranging in size from initial public offerings to Fortune 100 companies. Founded in 1971 and headquartered in New York, AST provides clients with customized solutions along with access to the best systems, services, processes and products available today — around the globe.

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