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BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS

27 October 2005

Send to: protocol@isda.org

International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc.

360 Madison Avenue, 16th Floor

New York, NY 10017

Dear Sirs.

2005 Novation Protocol - Adherence

The purpose of this letter is to confirm our adherence to the 2005 Novation Protocol as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. on September 12, 2005 (the "Protocol"). This letter constitutes an Adherence Letter as referred to in the Protocol. The definitions and provisions contained in the Protocol are incorporated into this Adherence Letter, which will supplement and form part of the Master Agreement (now or in the future) between us and each other Adhering Party.

1. Specified Terms

The terms of Annex 1 shall apply.

2. Appointment as Agent and Release

We hereby appoint ISDA as our agent for the limited purposes of the Protocol and accordingly we waive, and hereby release ISDA from, any rights, claims, actions or causes of action whatsoever (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) arising out of or in any way relating to this Adherence Letter or our adherence to the Protocol or any actions contemplated as being required by ISDA.

3. Contact Details

Our contact details for purposes of this Adherence Letter are:

Name: Head of Legal

Address: Murray House, 1 Royal Mint Court, London EC3N 4HH

Telephone: +44 207 668 8000 Fax: +44 207 668 8001 We consent to the publication of the conformed copy of this letter by ISDA and to the disclosure by ISDA of the contents of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

Barclays Global Investors Limited, acting on behalf of the funds/accounts specified in the relevant Master Agreement

Name: Gregg Murrell

Title: Principal, Head of Derivatives Operations

Signature: Gregg Murrell

Name: Mike Rawson

Title: Managing Director, Fixed Income Global COO

Signature: Mike Rawson