

Press Release

Standard & Poor's Announces June Quarterly Rebalance to the S&P/ASX Indices

SYDNEY, Jun. 4, 2010 - S&P Indices, the leading provider of equity indices in Australia, announced today that the following constituent additions and deletions will take place in the S&P/ASX indices, effective after the close of trading on Jun. 18, 2010.

The S&P/ASX 200 and the S&P/ASX All Australian 200 index hierarchy are the only index suites considered for additions and deletions as part of the June quarterly rebalance. As a result, index removals are limited to the pyramid structure of the S&P/ASX 200 and the S&P/ASX All Australian 200. The quarterly rebalance considers the aggregate market capitalisation and liquidity of stocks for the preceding 6-months as a basis for eligibility.

"Despite recent volatility within the Australian market the June quarterly rebalance realised a low level of index portfolio turnover across the S&P/ASX indices." said Guy Maguire, Head of S&P Indices Australia. "The results demonstrate the effect of the S&P/ASX index methodology in minimising index portfolio turnover."

S&P/ASX 20

No change.

S&P/ASX 50

No change.

S&P/ASX 100

No change.

S&P/ASX 200

ADDITIONS

CODE	NAME
WEC	White Energy Company Limited

REMOVALS

CODE	NAME
AAC	Australian Agricultural Company Limited

S&P/ASX All Australian 50

No change.

S&P/ASX All Australian 200

ADDITIONS

CODE	NAME
WEC	White Energy Company Limited
SFR	Sandfire Resources NL
ASL	Ausdrill Limited

REMOVALS

CODE	NAME
MRE	Minara Resources Limited
DOM	Dominion Mining Limited
NXS	Nexus Energy Limited

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