



## Semi-Annual Changes to the NASDAQ OMX CRD Global Sustainability Index

NEW YORK, May 21, 2012 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc. (Nasdaq:NDAQ) and CRD Analytics announced today the results of the semi-annual re-ranking of the NASDAQ OMX CRD Global Sustainability Index (Nasdaq:QCRD), which will become effective prior to market open on Monday, May 21, 2012.

The following two securities will be added to the Index: Bank of America Corporation (NYSE:BAC) and TELUS Corporation (NYSE:TU).

The NASDAQ OMX CRD Global Sustainability Index is an equally weighted equity index that serves as a benchmark for stocks of companies that are taking a leadership role in sustainability performance reporting and are traded on a major US stock exchange. The Index is made up of companies that have taken a leadership role in disclosing their carbon footprint, energy usage, water consumption, hazardous and non-hazardous waste, employee safety, workforce diversity, management composition and community investing. These are companies that are voluntarily disclosing their current environmental, social and governance risks as well as their revenue opportunities and how it will affect future performance. The securities must also meet other eligibility criteria which include minimum requirements for market value, average daily share volume, and price. The Index is evaluated on a semi-annual basis in May and November. For more information about the NASDAQ OMX CRD Global Sustainability Index, including detailed eligibility criteria, visit <https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/>.

As a result of the re-ranking, the following two securities will be removed from the Index: Pfizer Inc. (NYSE:PFE) and Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Inc. (NYSE:POT).

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