



## NASDAQ OMX Announces Enhancements to Daily Share Volume Statistics for Alternative Trading Systems or 'Dark Pools'

NEW YORK, Oct 21, 2009 (GlobeNewswire via COMTEX News Network) -- The NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc. (Nasdaq:NDAQ) today announced it will introduce enhancements to its ACT(SM) trade entry for the FINRA/NASDAQ Trade Reporting Facility (TM) (TRF(TM)) which will allow firms to separately report Alternative Trading System (ATS) or 'dark pool' trading activity. That activity will be posted before the end of day on the NASDAQ OMX Trader(R) website. The new functionality will be effective in mid-November 2009.

"We recognized that the industry would benefit from separate reporting of market share statistics for participants operating ATS dark pools. If the regulatory environment becomes more demanding for dark pools, NASDAQ OMX will be at the forefront to help firms meet their reporting obligations," said Eric Noll, Executive Vice President of NASDAQ OMX Transaction Services. "NASDAQ provides customer choice across multiple trading platforms and with this functionality we are providing additional choice and access to statistics with regard to reporting."

Participation for this reporting is free of charge and will be on an optional basis. Most broker dealers trading NMS stocks are already connected to NASDAQ's Automated Confirmation Transaction (ACT(SM)) system.

Currently, NASDAQ offers daily share volume publicly on the NASDAQ OMX Trader(R) website. These market share statistics are displayed by a market participant identifier (MPID) for broker dealers who have chosen to participate.

The FINRA/NASDAQ Trade Reporting Facility(TM) (TRF(TM)) is an automated trade reporting and reconciliation service operated on the ACT(SM) technology platform. The TRF(TM) electronically facilitates the post-execution steps of price and volume reporting, comparison and clearing of trades for NASDAQ-listed securities as well as for transactions in NYSE- and other U.S. regional exchange-listed securities that occur off the floor. The TRF(TM) handles transactions negotiated broker-to-broker. The TRF(TM) is a facility of FINRA that is operated by NASDAQ. Trades reported to the FINRA/NASDAQ TRF do not reflect liquidity available on the NASDAQ book. FINRA(TM), Trade Reporting Facility(TM) and TRF(TM) are trademarks of Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.

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