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Lighthouse Prime Services Announces Key New Hires

- **Steven M. Simmons** joins as Managing Director of Prime Services
- **Garrett Nenner** joins as Managing Director of Electronic Execution and DMA Services
- **Lynn Matteo** joins as Director of Operations

New York, April 14, 2009, Lighthouse Prime Services, a division of Lighthouse Financial Group, today announces that Steven M. Simmons, Garrett Nenner, and Lyndell Matteo have joined Lighthouse Prime Services.

Lighthouse Prime Services, headquartered in midtown Manhattan, offers a comprehensive prime brokerage platform including Technology Services, Institutional Trading and Capital Introduction for hedge fund managers.

“We are really pleased to have Steve, Garrett, and Lynn join the team. They bring a wealth of experience and industry knowledge. Their reputations for putting their clients first supports our goal of providing a true client service model for hedge fund managers,” commented Jamie Caputo Managing Director and Co-Head of Lighthouse Prime Services.

“The explosive growth of Lighthouse Financial is further evidence of the industry wide demand for a full service, client-oriented firm combining top-quality execution with value-added services like Cap-intro. Lighthouse is committed to putting the best teams together to support our clients and we are dedicated to being partners in their growth,” added Brian Stutman, Managing Director and Co-Head of Lighthouse Prime Services.

Simmons brings nearly 20 years of institutional experience and will focus on capital introduction services. Most recently he was with Terra Nova Financial in Chicago where he was the Head of Prime Brokerage Services and was awarded Opal Financial Group’s Emerging Broker Year of the Award in both 2007 and 2008. Steve has been a frequent industry speaker on the topic of alternative methods for raising assets for smaller hedge funds and emerging managers. A graduate of Colgate University, he is a junior executive board member of the Susan B. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, and a founding member of the Midwest Hedge Fund Association.

Nenner has 20 years of institutional trading and trading technology experience, and managed a trading desk and quant portfolio at Millenium Partners hedge fund for seven years. Recently, he was a senior sales executive and engineer for Lehman Brothers / Townsend Analytics’ Real Tick Trading platform where he focused on product design and implementation. He has been a noted senior instructor at the Financial Times / New York Institute of Finance and has given numerous seminars on the topic of the securities markets and related technologies.

Matteo has spent the last 10 years working with Goldman Sachs as a Vice President with the Operations group involved extensively with the electronic trading platforms and has managed several teams responsible for options rebalancing, trade reconciliations and client technology implementation. Previously, at the American Stock Exchange, she was a Managing Director of Market Operations responsible for managing an automated trading service desk as well as floor operations. Lynn has been involved with numerous professional industry associations including the SIA and OCC.



These key additions follow the expansion of the Lighthouse Prime Team, which included recent hires Frank Derosa, Todd Weitzman, and Jonathan Cohen. Derosa was a Vice President of U.S. equity derivative sales for the National Bank of Canada where he helped develop and market non traditional leveraged vehicles for hedge funds; Weitzman was a Sr. Sales Director with Alaris where he focused on Prime Brokerage and Electronic Trading Sales; and Cohen was a Sr. Sales Director and Branch Manager with Grace Financial where he was a key sales figure.

About Lighthouse Prime Services:

Lighthouse Prime Services, a division of Lighthouse Financial, specializes in hedge fund brokerage and high velocity trading. Clients include high frequency trading groups, small to mid-sized hedge funds and large institutions. Lighthouse professionals have extensive experience working with GSEC, Bank of America, Ridge, Penson and a host of other clearing firms. The Lighthouse Prime Services team is comprised of industry veterans who have spent the majority of their careers working at major prime brokerage firms. For further information please visit www.lighthouseprime.com.