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MarketAxess Announces Monthly Volume Statistics for December 2008

NEW YORK, Jan 08, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- MarketAxess Holdings Inc. (Nasdaq: MKTX), the operator of a leading electronic trading platform for U.S. and European high-grade corporate bonds, emerging markets bonds and other types of fixed-income securities, today announced total monthly trading volume for December 2008 of $16.2 billion, consisting of $10.3 billion in U.S. high-grade volume, $2.1 billion in eurobond volume, and $3.8 billion in other volume.

This data can be accessed on MarketAxess' website at www.marketaxess.com.

Monthly volume updates are posted in the Investor Relations section of the website on or before the tenth business day of each month. The data provide current month and historical volume totals on a monthly, quarterly and annual basis.

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About MarketAxess

MarketAxess operates one of the leading platforms for the electronic trading of corporate bonds and certain other types of fixed-income securities, serving as an electronic platform through which our approximately 650 active institutional investor clients can access the liquidity provided by our 49 broker-dealer clients. MarketAxess' multi-dealer trading platform allows our institutional investor clients to simultaneously request competitive, executable bids or offers from multiple broker-dealers, and to execute trades with the broker-dealer of their choice. MarketAxess offers our clients the ability to trade U.S. high-grade corporate bonds, European high-grade corporate bonds, credit default swaps, agencies, high-yield and emerging markets bonds. MarketAxess also provides data and analytical tools that help our clients make trading decisions, we provide connectivity solutions that facilitate the trading process by electronically communicating order information between trading counterparties and we provide our clients with ancillary technology services. Our DealerAxess® trading service allows dealers to trade fixed-income securities with each other on our platform. For more information, please visit www.marketaxess.com.

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