



Calyon Futures Veteran Tom Anderson to Join R.J. O'Brien as Chief Financial Officer

Chicago, May 1, 2008 - R.J. O'Brien & Associates, LLC (RJO), the largest independent futures brokerage in the US, announced that Tom Anderson has been named Chief Financial Officer. Tom Anderson was most recently the COO of Calyon Financial (Calyon). The appointment will become effective May 5, 2008.

"We are so pleased to have Tom coming onboard," said Gerry Corcoran, Chief Executive Officer of RJO. "His many years of experience in the futures industry made him an ideal candidate and we are delighted that Tom has made the decision to join the RJO team. We are confident that Tom will make an immediate contribution to our organization."

Prior to joining RJO, Mr. Anderson spent over seven years at Calyon. He previously served as their Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, where he was responsible for implementing strategy in operations, IT, finance, and treasury. Mr. Anderson also played a key role in the evaluation and integration of the merger between Calyon and Fimat. He served as Calyon's CFO from 2000-2006, increasing the role of the finance organization by positioning it as a strategic partner supporting business activity and development.

Before joining Calyon in 2000, Mr. Anderson spent ten years at Lind-Waldock & Company (Lind), the largest retail discount futures brokerage firm at the time. At Lind, Mr. Anderson served as Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice President. He played an integral role in the sale of Lind to Refco Group in February 2000, as well as the acquisition of broker LFG LLC.

"I have deep roots in this industry and have always viewed R.J. O'Brien as a friendly competitor and as a firm of great integrity," said Mr. Anderson. "RJO continues to align itself with its clients for mutual success and sustained growth and I foresee great opportunity in the future."

"Tom has proven himself to be a high performing manager and team player, and he knows our industry inside and out," said Colleen Mitchell, President of RJO. "This is a huge addition to the RJO family."

In addition to nearly 20 years of experience in the futures industry, Mr. Anderson, who holds a B.S. in Accountancy from DePaul University and is a Certified Public Accountant in the State of Illinois, was a founding member of the ILCPA Futures Training Institute, a member of the ILCPA Society Industry Accounting Guide Task Force and was a member of the Futures Industry Association.

About R.J. O'Brien

RJO is the largest independent futures brokerage in the United States. A privately owned futures commission merchant, RJO is also one of the oldest futures brokerage firms, dating back to 1914. RJO is a full clearing member of: the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Group (founding member of CME); the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX); Intercontinental Exchange (ICE); Eurex AG; EuronextLIFFE; and US Futures Exchange. RJO services a global network of more than 270 introducing brokers and some of the world's largest financial, industrial and agricultural institutions. RJO offers the latest in order entry technology coupled with 24-hour execution and clearing on every futures exchange worldwide. For further information, please visit www.rjobrien.com.

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