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R.J. O'Brien (UK) Limited Wins "Best FCM - Innovation" Award at CTA Intelligence European Services Awards 2015

LONDON, 1 December, 2015 – Chicago-based R.J. O'Brien & Associates (RJO), the oldest and largest independent futures brokerage and clearing firm in the United States, today announced that its London-based affiliate R.J. O'Brien (UK) Limited has won the award for "Best FCM – Innovation" at the CTA Intelligence European Services Awards 2015. The awards issued by CTA Intelligence magazine recognize those who have provided outstanding support and services to the European managed futures industry over the past 12 months.

The judges stated: "Operating in a crowded space R.J. O'Brien (UK) truly stands out. It has shown the ability to be both fleet-footed and truly innovative when it comes to serving client needs. A well-deserved winner."

The awards are based on a number of criteria, including demonstration of steady client and financial growth, innovation and positive client feedback.

RJO Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Gerald F. Corcoran said: "We are truly honored that *CTA Intelligence* is recognizing the firm for our innovation and agility. This was a very important year for us in Europe as we built on our talent, made a critical strategic acquisition of Kyte Group and brought new markets and capabilities to our growing client base. We look forward to further growth next year and to earning our clients' continued confidence in all that we do."

David Mudie, Chief Executive Officer of R.J. O'Brien in Europe said: "With more than 100 years of success in the United States, we're continuing to build an outstanding offering in Europe. We have a terrific staff and tremendous infrastructure. It has been a pleasure to grow our institutional and managed futures business here and to bring to this market the breadth of resources that U.S. clients have enjoyed for so many years. Thanks to *CTA Intelligence* for bringing us this recognition."

Published by Pageant Media, *CTA Intelligence* focuses on key issues for professionals working in the commodity trading advisor (CTA) and managed futures space. An independent panel of judges from CTA Intelligence and leading industry experts selected RJO UK for the award, which was presented at a ceremony in London. In early 2014, R.J. O'Brien & Associates won the award for "Best FCM – Client Service" at the magazine's inaugural U.S. Services Awards.

About R.J. O'Brien

Founded in 1914, R.J. O'Brien & Associates is the largest independent futures brokerage firm in the United States, serving institutional, commercial and individual clients globally, in addition to a network of 400 introducing brokers (IBs). Clearing more than 100,000 client accounts, RJO services the industry's most expansive global network of IBs, a vast array of middle market firms and many of the world's largest financial, industrial and agricultural institutions. The firm offers state-of-the-art electronic trading and 24-hour trade execution on every major futures exchange worldwide.