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Daiwa Capital Markets America Inc. implements Fidessa's hosted US trading platform

New York, May 10th, 2010 — Fidessa group plc (LSE: FDSA), provider of award-winning trading solutions for the buy-side and sell-side, today announced that Daiwa Capital Markets America Inc. has successfully gone live with its hosted US trading platform to underpin its US trading operations.

Daiwa Capital Markets America selected the Fidessa trading platform following a comprehensive vendor comparison exercise, which was led by both IT senior management and traders. In addition to the order management functionality, Daiwa Capital Markets America will be using the built-in benchmark and execution algorithms in BlueBox, Fidessa's algorithmic trading engine.

Stephen D. McCabe, EVP, Co-Head of Information Technology, Daiwa Capital Markets America, commented: "This represents a very positive step for us. Our previous solution was failing to meet the needs of our traders: we wanted something more robust and more easily customizable and that is exactly what we get with Fidessa. Our traders were particularly impressed by the built-in algorithms, and the compliance engine is a particular asset, giving us out-of-the-box regulatory-approved reports."

Martin Price, First VP, Information Technology, Daiwa Capital Markets America, added: "Fidessa's technology will help us streamline our business by automating a number of previously manual processes. It will also remove the difficulties we've had in the past managing the communication between disparate systems by giving us a single platform. Fidessa has a reputation for being the market-leader, but for being the expensive choice. However, we found that costs were comparable with the other solutions we were considering. The difference was that Fidessa gives us far more for our money, and will be instrumental in supporting us as we grow."

David Polen, director of hosted marketing at Fidessa said: "We are delighted that Daiwa Capital Markets America has chosen the Fidessa trading platform. This continues to demonstrate our ability to support the mid-tier market in the US, with a technology platform that is robust enough to grow with the company. Our hosted solution will enable Daiwa Capital Markets America to trade more efficiently and we look forward to developing the relationship with them in the coming year."

Fidessa's hosted trading solution comprises specialist trading platforms developed for the US, Canadian, European, Japanese and Asian markets, including electronic order management, smart order routing, real-time market data, middle office capabilities, position keeping, risk management and compliance in a single system. Advanced trading tools are fully integrated with the OMS including: PAIRS and program trading and Fidessa BlueBox for algorithmic trading. The integration of such rich functionality enables ticketless transactions and significantly improves trading workflow and cost efficiencies.

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About Daiwa Capital Markets America

Daiwa Capital Markets America Inc., was formed in 1964, and until April 1, 2010 was known as Daiwa Securities America Inc. The firm is a registered securities broker-dealer, a futures commission merchant, a Primary Dealer of U.S. Treasury securities, and a member of the New York Stock Exchange and other major U.S. exchanges. Currently, the firm focuses mainly on sales and trading of Japanese, Asian, and U.S. equities, fixed income instruments, financial futures, and investment banking. Its parent company is Daiwa Capital Markets America Holdings Inc. (formerly known as Daiwa America Corporation), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Daiwa Securities Capital Markets Co. Ltd., a Japan-based Investment Bank and Broker Dealer. Daiwa Securities Capital Markets is a subsidiary of Daiwa Securities Group Inc.

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About Fidessa group

Fidessa group is the leading supplier of multi-asset trading, portfolio analysis, decision support, compliance, market data and connectivity solutions for firms involved in trading the world's financial markets. Fidessa's products and services are built on the simple vision of making it easier to buy, sell and own financial assets of all types on a global basis.

PEDIGREE

A dynamic, growing company with a proven track record, Fidessa is recognised as the thought leader in the marketplace, with an unrivalled set of products and services which set the benchmark for this industry and, uniquely, serve both the buy-side and sell-side communities globally.

EXPERIENCED

With over 28 years' experience delivering powerful, resilient, mission-critical systems, Fidessa develops all its products itself from the ground up, investing heavily in their continual evolution. The resulting leading-edge,

truly integrated solutions have established Fidessa as the industry's number one choice, and are used by over 85% of tier-one, global financial institutions.

SCALE

Headquartered in London and with regional operations across Europe, North America, Asia, and the Middle East, Fidessa supports 25,000 users across 850 clients, serving a broad spectrum of customers from major investment banks and asset managers through to specialist niche brokers and hedge funds.

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Fidessa group is listed on the London Stock Exchange (symbol FDSA) and is a FTSE 250 company. Fidessa has a turnover of around £240m, has delivered 30% compound growth since its 1997 listing and now employs 1,500 people globally.

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