NATIONAL BANK OF DUBAI SHARES SUSPENDED FROM TRADING

Deadline of 17 October to Exchange NBD Shares for Emirates NBD Shares

Dubai, 8 October 2007 – The Board of National Bank of Dubai PJSC ("NBD") today announced that shares in the company will be suspended from trading on the Dubai Financial Market ("DFM") with immediate effect.

Commenting on the share suspension, Mr. Abdullah Mohamed Saleh, Chairman of NBD, said, "The suspension of NBD shares is one of the final critical stages of the merger process. We are eager to ensure that NBD shareholders can participate in the future of the combined bank, and encourage them to complete and return the form of acceptance that is included in the offer document distributed to shareholders in July, by 3pm Dubai time on Wednesday 17 October 2007."

NBD shares are expected to be delisted from the DFM at the close of trading on Monday 15 October, 2007. Shares in Emirates NBD PJSC, the newly merged banking group, are expected to be listed on the DFM for the start of trading on 16 October 2007. Shareholders who do not validly accept the offer should note that, following the suspension of trading in NBD shares, their liquidity and marketability is likely to be adversely affected.

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