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IFDS takes strategic stake in Percana Group

Leading transfer agency takes a strategic stake in global life and pensions company

Dublin and London, 16 September 2008 - International Financial Data Services Ireland Limited (IFDS Ireland), the international transfer agency joint venture between State Street Corporation and DST Systems, Inc., announced today that it has acquired a substantial minority interest in Percana Group Limited (Percana).

Percana is an Irish controlled company which employs 100 people at its headquarters in Parkwest Business Park in Dublin. Percana provides market leading software, outsourcing and consultancy services to the Global Life and Pensions industry. While Percana has grown substantially in the last number of years, the management of Percana has recognised that a significant global investor was required if the company was to achieve its ambitious growth targets. William Slattery, Managing Director of State Street Ireland, and Pat Concannon, Chief Financial Officer for IFDS Ireland, will both join the board of Percana Group.

Paul O'Kane, Executive Chairman, Percana, commented:
"We are delighted that we have concluded the investment transaction with IFDS Ireland. I believe this deal will have a very positive impact on Percana. This investment represents a strong vote of confidence by preeminent global institutions in our business model, technology and people. It will enable us to scale our business both domestically and internationally at a rate which is consistent with our own ambitions and with the enormous opportunities we believe are available to us in the market place. In putting this deal together, it has become clear to us that there is a strong cultural affinity between Percana and IFDS Ireland based on our shared values of consistent growth, strong client service ethos and an entrepreneurial approach to business."

William Slattery, Managing Director of State Street Ireland and Director of IFDS Ireland, commented:
"IFDS Ireland is delighted to conclude this investment in Percana. State Street Corporation and its affiliates now employ more than 2,300 people in Ireland of which IFDS Ireland comprises in excess of 160 employees. We are strongly committed to this market place and this investment is a further reflection of our commitment.

The global life assurance market is a key target market for us and we believe that Percana's Eclipse system has significant potential in that market place. We are also impressed by Percana's highly experienced and motivated management team, superb list of highly respected global life assurance clients and its equally attractive pipeline of similar institutions."

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Percana Group Ltd (Percana):
Established in 1999, Percana is an Irish controlled company which employs 100 people at its headquarters in Parkwest Business Park in Dublin. Percana provides market leading software, outsourcing and consultancy services to the Life and Pensions industry. Its product and service offerings are based on the Eclipse Product Suite, which is used to manage a wide range of Life and Pension products efficiently, securely and cost effectively throughout their life cycle. Percana's clients include Generali Pan Europe, Generali International, Quinn Life, Anglo Irish Assurance, Commercial Union International Life, Dentists' Provident Society UK and Société Générale's Irish subsidiary Inora Life.

International Financial Data Services ("IFDS"):
The International Financial Data Services group is a 50/50 joint venture between affiliates of Boston-based **State Street Corporation**, the world's leading provider of services to institutional investors, and **DST Systems Inc.**, a Kansas City, Missouri-based leading provider of shareholder accounting services and proprietary systems.

IFDS is today recognised as the world's leading provider investor record keeping and transfer agency solutions on a BPO (Business Process Outsourcing) and ASP (Application Service Provision) basis. Our services are provided to a wide range of global collective investment, wealth management and platform clients, supporting over 17 million accounts for over 160 organisations, and with over 2,500 experienced staff based in four locations (Canada, Ireland, Luxembourg & United Kingdom). Figures as June 30, 2008.

State Street Corporation:
State Street Corporation (NYSE: STT) is the world's leading provider of financial services to institutional investors including investment servicing, investment management and investment research and trading. With $15.3 trillion in assets under custody and $1.9 trillion in assets under management at June 30, 2008, State Street operates in 26 countries and more than 100 geographic markets worldwide

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DST Systems, Inc. provides sophisticated information processing and computer software products and services to support the mutual fund, investment management, insurance and healthcare industries. In addition to technology products and services, DST provides integrated print and electronic statement and billing output solutions through a wholly owned subsidiary. DST's world-class data centers provide technology infrastructure support for mutual fund companies, healthcare providers, banks, mortgage bankers and insurance companies around the globe. DST is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, and is a publicly traded company on the New York Stock Exchange.

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