



Tradition Announces Dutch Weather Auction for London Heathrow

New York, NY, March 29, 2010 – Tradition, a leading interdealer broker and a subsidiary of Compagnie Financière Tradition, today announced its U.S. weather derivatives division completed a Dutch auction on behalf of a client looking to hedge their weather risk for the London Heathrow (LHR) area.

Bids were solicited for heating degree-days (HDD) swaps for the month of April 2010. Formal proposals were submitted to Tradition (formerly TFS Energy) and executed on Tuesday, March 23, 2010. The bids were traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) and the auction cleared for 1,500 out of the 2,000 lots sought equaling 30,000 GBP of protection per HDD.

“Tradition is pleased to once again successfully host an auction for European weather risk. With the increased hedging interest in the European market seen this season, it is not surprising to see these large transactions in the secondary market,” said Eric Anderson, Vice President of Global Weather Derivatives at Tradition.

Tradition has led numerous auctions ranging in size from USD 1 million to upwards of USD 100 million of transferred risk. Tradition is a pioneer in the Dutch auction space and has been responsible for brokering weather risk transfers in the U.S., Europe and Asia. Tradition's weather derivatives desks operate in Stamford, Conn., London and Sydney.

Notes to Editors on Dutch Auction:

For the London Heathrow (LHR) auction, offers were accepted in a minimum bid size of 100 lots, with increments of 50 lots thereafter, and cleared on the CME. When a level was deemed to be acceptable, no less than a minimum transaction size of 500 lots was executed through the auction. The levels were posted on the CME.

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