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FORMATION OF OTC GLOBAL HOLDINGS NAMED A “2008 DEAL OF THE YEAR” BY *ENERGY RISK* MAGAZINE

Honor caps year of record growth, sees OTCGH ranked among financial bellwethers such as Deutsche Bank, JP Morgan and Morgan Stanley

HOUSTON / NEW YORK – (February 4, 2009) – OTC Global Holdings (OTCGH), the leading independent interdealer broker in the over-the-counter (OTC) commodity markets, announced today that renowned international trading and risk management industry publication, *Energy Risk*, has honored OTCGH as one of its top “Deals of the Year” for 2008 in recognition of the company’s unique business model.

The publication’s popular annual feature acknowledges the best energy, commodity and environmental deals of the last 12 months, highlighting those that illustrate innovation, scale, transaction complexity and the ability to shape the future of the energy markets.

This year, *Energy Risk* chose five deals from a pool of 50 nominations. In addition to OTCGH, the companies profiled included JP Morgan, Essent Trading, Deutsche Bank and Morgan Stanley. According to the article, the deals featured represent the breadth and depth of energy market activity and prove there is still much to be celebrated in the commodity markets space.

“OTCGH continues to grow by deepening our liquidity pools, expanding our expertise into new asset classes and providing industry leading technologies with our new interactive electronic trading environment, EOXLive,” said E. Javier Loya, chairman and chief executive officer, OTCGH. “This growth is made possible by our talented team of brokers, which continue to deliver value, efficiency and transparency to the OTC commodity markets.”

The company’s rapid expansion is predicated on its unique business model, which combines organic and acquisitive growth to allow each of its portfolio companies to operate independently while enjoying the efficiencies created through shared financial, technological and operational resources. Since the company’s announcement of its formation in 2008, its growth has outpaced the market, with year-over-year gains of 42 percent.

About OTC Global Holdings LP

OTC Global Holdings was formed in 2007 and is headquartered in Houston and New York. With offices in Houston, New York and Jersey City, OTC Global Holdings is a leading independent interdealer broker in OTC energy commodities and the largest liquidity provider to the NYMEX

ClearPort. The company holds dominant market share in the U.S. and Canadian natural gas markets and the Texas power market. Its portfolio of companies includes Black Barrel, Choice Natural Gas, Choice Power, Elite Brokers, EOX Holdings, Infinity, Pinnacle Derivatives, Power Merchants Group, PVO Energy and Valence Energy. The company serves more than 225 institutional clients, including 45 members of the Fortune 500. To learn more about the company, visit www.otcgh.com.

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