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### **Chicago Climate Exchange<sup>®</sup> Appoints Eric J. Nield as General Counsel**

(Chicago, April 27, 2009) - Chicago Climate Exchange (CCX<sup>®</sup>) which operates North America's only cap and trade system for all six greenhouse gases, with global affiliates and projects worldwide, announced today the appointment of Eric J. Nield as Senior Vice President and General Counsel. In this capacity he will have oversight over all the Exchange's legal and regulatory functions.

Mr. Nield most recently served as Legal Counsel at Credit Agricole Asset Management Alternative Investments, a major fund of funds manager. Prior to joining Credit Agricole he was Head of Legal for Newedge Financial Inc. where he was responsible for the Americas zone legal function of this large global derivatives brokerage and broker-dealer firm. Mr. Nield held operations and compliance positions at ABN AMRO, ED&F Man and at the Office of Investigations at the Chicago Board of Trade. He also worked as an attorney servicing clients in the financial services industry at Katten Muchin Zavis Rosenman, a leading law firm.

"We are very excited that Eric Nield has joined CCX and we look forward to his advice and counsel as we continue to expand the activities of CCX and CCFE," said Dr. Sandor. "He brings a unique set of skills and experience in the legal and compliance sectors of the futures industry that will benefit our mission which is market-based solutions to environmental issues in a cleared, transparent and regulated exchange in an ever important regulatory landscape."

Mr. Nield holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Illinois and a Juris Doctor from Chicago-Kent College of Law, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif.

#### **About Chicago Climate Exchange and Chicago Climate Futures Exchange**

CCX is an Exchange whose objectives are to apply financial innovation and incentives to advance social, environmental and economic goals. CCX, which began trading in 2003, is the world's first and North America's only legally binding, rules-based greenhouse gas emissions allowance trading system, as well as the world's only global system for emissions trading based on all six greenhouse gases. Chicago Climate Futures Exchange (CCFE), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Chicago Climate Exchange, is a CFTC designated contract market which offers standardized and cleared futures and options contracts on emission allowances and other environmental products. Clearing services are provided by The Clearing Corporation, the only active independent futures clearinghouse in the world. Market surveillance services are provided by the National Futures Association, the industry wide, self-regulatory organization for the U.S. futures industry. In 2005, CCX launched the European Climate Exchange (ECX), now the leading exchange operating in the European Union Emissions Trading Scheme. Since 2006, both CCX and ECX have been owned by Climate Exchange plc, a publicly traded company listed on the AIM division of the London Stock Exchange (CLE.L).