



## **THE PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE AND RTS REALTIME SYSTEMS GROUP SIGN STRATEGIC AGREEMENT TO DEVELOP SOFTWARE FOR NEW PBOT FUTURES MARKET STRUCTURE**

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**PHILADELPHIA, PA and CHICAGO, IL - August 7, 2006** - The Philadelphia Board of Trade (PBOT) and RTS Realtime Systems Group (RTS) announced today they have reached an agreement to develop a streaming quote software interface as an essential part of the new PBOT futures market structure that is expected to be launched the third quarter of this year.

Under the terms of the agreement, RTS will provide customer access to the PBOT via RTS's Chicago data center. In addition, PBOT will assist RTS in the establishment of customer sites designed to deliver orders directly to PBOT.

"The Philadelphia Board of Trade sees this as a significant opportunity to allow the Exchange to electronically access futures players who grasp the trading opportunity of streaming quotes," said Daniel R. Carrigan, vice president of new product development.

Steffen Gemuenden, president & CEO of RTS, said that RTS has completed implementation of the PBOT gateways and further, that the RTD and eRTD software will be available for the launch of PBOT. In addition, using its datacenter facility in Chicago, RTS will be able to offer leased line and Internet access to PBOT for market makers, proprietary traders and brokers.

### **About the Philadelphia Stock Exchange**

The Philadelphia Stock Exchange (PHLX) was founded in 1790. The PHLX currently trades 1,943 stocks, more than 2,200 equity options, 19 sectors index options, and currency options and futures. For more information about the PHLX and its products, visit [www.phlx.com](http://www.phlx.com)

### **About RTS Realtime Systems Group (RTS)**

RTS is a leading Independent Software Vendor (ISV) with local sales and support offices in the major financial centers and distribution partners in Greece, Italy and Portugal. RTS is the market leader in terms of functionality in electronic trading software for all traded products. With more than 3,000 user licenses and connections to more than 70 exchanges around the world, RTS has secured a solid position in the industry. In business since 1992, RTS has over fourteen years' of experience developing software to enable trading on the electronic exchanges. As one of the pioneers in designing electronic trading tools, RTS has developed an extensive suite of products for options and futures traders. In addition RTS' software features a variety of tools, including the RTD Quote Machine®, RTD Electronic Eye®, RTD SalesTrader, and the Autohedger as well as a basket trading system. With RTD Tango, the recently launched algorithmic trading system, RTS has further strengthened its product portfolio. As a global player in the area of electronic trading, RTS also offers an additional service to its customers. Upon request, RTS data-centers can provide flexible and high-speed connectivity options, state-of-the-art IT infrastructure and professional ASP solutions.

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