

PRESS RELEASE – 1 March 2010 - FastMarkets Ltd expands into physicals with regular premiums coverage

FastMarkets Ltd, the leading online provider of metals prices, data and research, now provides regular coverage of the base metals physicals market via its BaseMetals.com website.

The coverage comprises up-to-the-minute reports and weekly updates on premiums levels for LME warrants and other physical premiums such as the key Shanghai and US Midwest locations and also tracks the closely watched SHFE/LME arbitrage. A full and comprehensive premiums table rounds off the service each week.

The team is spearheaded by deputy chief correspondent Perrine Faye in London and includes North American correspondent Sean Barry.

Malcolm Freeman, Managing Director of Ambrian Commodities Limited, said:

“As an LME trading desk, premiums are something we watch closely for a reflection of the true underlying demand for metals – discounting the influence of funds and technical factors. They are the key indicators of the metals’ worth.”

Jim Coupland, Managing Director and Global Head of Base Metals at Standard Bank, said:

“Physical premiums are a key component of the metals market and Fastmarkets is providing comprehensive and thoroughly researched coverage of this sector. This is a service ideally suited to market professionals, who need this type of information in an opaque area.”

For a sample of our weekly report, click on the following link:

<http://premium.basemetals.com/content/html/PHYSICALS18feb2010.pdf>

About FastMarkets Ltd

FastMarkets, founded in 1999 by ex-traders Ross Norman and Dominic Hall, has established itself as an authoritative provider of fast high quality news and research on the metals markets.

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Its world-class editorial team is led by Martin Hayes and comprises experienced journalists who are passionate about the markets they report on. The same enthusiasm extends to its analytical team, led by William Adams, who live and breathe the metals markets.

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