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ALERIAN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCES ADDITIONS TO AND DELETIONS FROM THE ALERIAN MLP INDEX

Dallas, Texas – September 29, 2009 – Alerian Capital Management LLC announced that at the close of business today, there will be a special rebalancing of the Alerian MLP Index (NYSE: AMZ), the result of which will be the addition of Pioneer Southwest Energy Partners LP (NYSE: PSE) and the removal of Atlas Energy Resources LLC (NYSE: ATN).

Special rebalancings are triggered by corporate actions to a constituent that result in the termination of trading on a major US exchange. Such corporate actions include, but are not limited to, mergers, spin-offs, bankruptcies, and delistings. ATN will cease to trade on the New York Stock Exchange at the close of business today due to its merger with Atlas America Inc (NASDAQ: ATLS).

In accordance with the existing index methodology, the index's 50 constituents will be rebalanced on a float-adjusted, market-capitalization-weighted basis. Constituent additions to and deletions from the Alerian MLP Index do not reflect an opinion by Alerian Capital Management LLC on the investment merits of the respective securities.

About the Alerian MLP Index

The Alerian MLP Index is a composite of the 50 most prominent energy Master Limited Partnerships and is calculated by Standard & Poor's using a float-adjusted market capitalization methodology, providing an unbiased, comprehensive benchmark for the performance of this emerging asset class. The index is disseminated real-time on a price-return basis (NYSE: AMZ) and the corresponding total return index is disseminated daily through ticker AMZX. Relevant constituent data points such as market capitalization, dividends, and dividend yield are disseminated daily.

About Alerian Capital Management LLC

Alerian is a registered investment advisor that manages portfolios exclusively focused on midstream energy Master Limited Partnerships. The company focuses on fundamental analysis in this emerging asset class, combining its bottoms-up, private-equity philosophy with risk management programs designed to preserve capital and mitigate portfolio volatility. Investing in both the private and public equity markets, the company concentrates on maximizing absolute total returns on a risk-adjusted basis. For more information, visit www.alerian.com.

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