Semi-annual Changes to the Nasdaq CRD Global Sustainability Index

New York, NY, May 23, 2016 — The Nasdaq Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: NDAQ), and CRD Analytics today announced the results of the semi-annual re-ranking of the Nasdaq CRD Global Sustainability Index (Nasdaq: QCRD), which will become effective prior to market open on Monday, May 23, 2016.

The following twelve securities will be added to the Index: **Apple Inc.** (Nasdaq: AAPL); **BorgWarner, Inc**. (NYSE: BWA); **Deere & Co**. (Nasdaq: DE); **Delphi Automotive** (NYSE: DLPH); **Gilead Sciences, Inc**. (NYSE:GILD); **Marriott International, Inc.** (NYSE: MAR); **NVIDIA Corp**. (NYSE:NVDA); **Rockwell Automation** (NYSE: ROK); **Sealed Air Corp.** (NYSE: SEE); **Stericycle Inc.** (Nasdaq: SRCL) and **Sunlife Financial** (NYSE: SLF).

The Nasdaq CRD Global Sustainability Index (Nasdaq: QCRD) is an equally weighted equity index that serves as a benchmark for stocks of companies taking a leadership role in measuring, managing and communicating the impacts and ROI of their investments in sustainable development and shared value creation. The Index is made up of companies traded on a major US stock exchange who voluntarily disclose their current environmental, social and governance risks as well as their revenue opportunities and forward look on future performance. The QCRD methodology incorporates lagging indicators in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative G4 Guidelines, and leading indicators from multiple frameworks to measure impact and shared value creation. The securities must also meet other eligibility criteria which include minimum requirements for market value, average daily share volume, and price. The Index is evaluated on a semi-annual basis in May and November. For more information about the Nasdaq CRD Global Sustainability Index, including detailed eligibility criteria, visit https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/.

As a result of the Index reconstitution, the following twelve securities will be removed from the Index: **Albermarle Corp.** (NYSE: ALB); **AngloGold Ashanti Limited** (NYSE: AU); **Arcelormittal** (NYSE: MT); **BHP Billiton PLC** (NYSE: BHP); **Dow Chemical Company** (NYSE: DOW); **EI Du Pont Nemours** (NYSE: DD); **Freeport-McMoran Copper & Gold** (NYSE: FCX); **Spectra Energy Corp.** (NYSE:SE); **Sasol Limited** (NYSE: SSL); **Suncor Energy, Inc.** (NYSE:SU); **Syngenta AG** (NYSE: SYT); and **Verizon Communications, Inc**. (NYSE:VZ).

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Daily index values, weightings and historical data for Nasdaq indexes are available via Nasdaq Global Index Watch and Nasdaq Global Index Data Service.

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