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CitiGroup and Wachovia Led Bank Holding Companies in Mutual Fund and Annuity Fee Income in First Half of 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – *Radnor, PA, October 13, 2005* – CitiGroup (New York, NY) and Wachovia Corporation (Charlotte, NC) led all bank holding companies with significant banking activities in mutual fund and annuity fee income in the first six months of 2005, according to *Michael White's Bank Holding Company Insurance & Investment Fee Income Report* (BHC-FIR) published by Michael White Associates, LLC (MWA).

The BHC- FIR^{TM} is co-sponsored by Newtek Insurance Agency, MetLife Investors, and Symetra Financial. These findings are based on data made available last week by the Federal Reserve Board and analyzed by Michael White Associates in its ongoing series of *Fee Income Reports* The data are reported by 2,287 top-tier bank holding companies with \$150 million or more in consolidated assets.

- BHCs' mutual fund and annuity fee income increased 6.4% from \$8.89 billion in the first half of 2004 to \$9.45 billion in the first half of 2005. During the first six months of 2005, 47.2% of BHCs in the United States engaged in sales and servicing activities that produced mutual fund and/or annuity fee income.
- BHCs with between \$1 billion and \$10 billion in assets recorded the greatest growth in the first half of 2005, increasing their mutual fund and annuity fee income 20.9% from \$1.21 billion to \$1.47 billion.

TOP 15 BANK HOLDING COMPANIES IN MUTUAL FUND & ANNUITY FEE INCOME YTD JUNE 30, 2005 Nationally							
KANK	M.F. & ANN YTD JU	NE 30	PERCENT CHANGE 2004 - 2005 -	BANK HOLDING COMPANY		ASSETS	% OF NONINTEREST INCOME
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1	\$1,227,000	\$1,373,000	-10.63%		NY	\$1,547,789,000	
2	\$876,000	\$935,000	-6.31%	WACHOVIA CORPORATION	NC	\$511,840,000	
3	\$818,000	\$320,000	155.63%	J.P. MORGAN CHASE & CO.	NY	\$1,171,283,000	4.81%
4	\$762,883	\$626,679	21.73%	BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATION	NC	\$1,251,037,147	6.05%
5	\$604,146	\$461,608	30.88%	PNC FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP	PA	\$90,809,278	31.26%
6	\$286,556	\$357,705	-19.89%	MELLON FINANCIAL CORP.	PA	\$37,091,634	14.49%
7	\$246,000	\$249,000	-1.20%	TAUNUS CORPORATION	NY	\$366,293,000	8.57%
8	\$213,000	\$264,700	-19.53%	U.S. BANCORP	MN	\$203,981,000	7.13%
9	\$161,000	\$137,000	17.52%	WELLS FARGO & COMPANY	CA	\$434,981,000	2.34%
10	\$103,000	\$53,626	92.07%	BANK OF NEW YORK COMPANY	NY	\$103,110,000	4.29%
11	\$79,288	\$66,209	19.75%	SUNTRUST BANKS, INC.	GA	\$168,952,575	5.18%
12	\$76,910	\$70,381	9.28%	FIFTH THIRD BANCORP	OH	\$103,159,676	6.62%
13	\$60,906	\$56,138	8.49%	ABN AMRO NO. AM. HOLDING CO.	IL	\$145,024,570	8.77%
14	\$47,650	\$58,460	-18.49%	REGIONS FINANCIAL CORP.	AL	\$85,325,677	5.59%
15	\$42,975	\$34,474	24.66%	NATIONAL CITY CORPORATION	ОН	\$143,975,359	2.48%
Source: Michael White's Bank Holding Company Insurance & Investment Fee Income Reports							

- CitiGroup earned \$1.23 billion in mutual fund and annuity fee income as of June 30, 2005, putting it in first place. Those earnings were down 10.6% from \$1.37 billion year-to-date earnings at June 30, 2004.
- Wachovia Corporation ranked second with \$876 million in mutual fund and annuity fee income in the first six months of 2005. That figure was down 6.3% from \$935 million in the same period in 2004.
- J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. (New York, NY) registered the greatest improvement among the leaders, increasing its mutual fund and annuity fee income by 156% to \$818 million. Much of this improvement was due to its combination with Bank One Corporation (Chicago, IL) on July 1, 2004, after the second quarter ended.
- The top five leaders in mutual fund and annuity fee income in the first six months of 2005 among BHCs under \$1 billion in assets were Siuslaw Financial Group, Inc. (OR), CCB Corporation (MO), German American Bancorp (IN), First Citizens Bancshares, Inc. (TN), and Codorus Valley Bancorp, Inc. (PA).
- Not shown on the accompanying list of financial holding company leaders in mutual fund and annuity fee income are companies that did not engage in significant banking activities. These include Franklin Resources, Inc., owner of the Franklin/Temple ton Funds, which reported \$1.32 billion on June 30, 2005, up 26.4% from \$1.05 billion in the first half of 2004; MetLife, which earned \$905.7 million in mutual fund and annuity fee income, up 11.1% from \$814.9 million at June 30, 2004; The Charles Schwab Corporation, which reported \$618.2 million in the first half of 2005, up 3.9% from \$594.8 million in the same period in 2004; and John Hancock Holdings (Delaware) LLC, a new financial holding company with \$173.2 million.

About Michael White's Bank Holding Company Insurance & Investment Fee Income Report™

Michael White's Bank Holding Company Insurance and Investment Fee Income Report $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$ (BHC-FIR $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$) provides comprehensive, national, standardized data and performance ratios that measure and compare insurance and investment fee income programs among bank holding companies (BHCs). The BHC-FIR and its companion report, Michael White's Bank Insurance and Investment Fee Income Report (Bank-FIR), are annual publications, co-sponsored by Newtek Insurance Agency, MetLife Investors, and Symetra Financial.

The report ranks the nation's top 100 BHCs in insurance, investment, and mutual fund and annuity fee income and the top 50 BHCs for each of eight asset-size classes and six regions. The 150+ page BHC-FIR includes narrative analyses and 155 illustrative tables and gaphs. Leaders in the ratios of insurance and investment fee income to noninterest income are ranked by the top 50 nationally and the top 25 by each asset class. Customized $Fee\ Income\ Ratings\ Reports^{TM}$ that compare a particular financial institution's insurance or investment program to its competitors nationally, regionally, statewide and in its asset-peer group may also be ordered. The reports may be purchased online at www.BankInsurance.com or by check and mail.

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