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### **Allstate Releases Information on Exposure to Financial Sector**

NORTHBROOK, Ill. (Sept. 23, 2008) – The Allstate Corporation (NYSE:ALL) today provided on its website updates to its investment holdings and certain other financial relationships with the following companies including their subsidiaries: Merrill Lynch & Co, American International Group (AIG), Bank of America, Goldman Sachs Group, Inc, Lehman Brothers Holdings, Morgan Stanley, JP Morgan Chase & Co, Washington Mutual, Inc, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

Allstate's large investment portfolio reflects the corporation's investment philosophy of diversification and high quality assets.

The total amount of Allstate investments in the companies listed above is not material and represents approximately 2% of the company's investments.

Details of these investments can be found on [http://media.corporate-ir.net/media\\_files/irol/93/93125/reports2/FinancialSector9\\_19\\_08.pdf](http://media.corporate-ir.net/media_files/irol/93/93125/reports2/FinancialSector9_19_08.pdf).

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