

## MONTREAL EXCHANGE COMPLETES ACQUISITION OF MAJORITY OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN BOSTON OPTIONS EXCHANGE Transaction Gives TMX Group Bigger North American Footprint in Equity Options

Montréal (Quebec), August 29, 2008 – Montréal Exchange Inc. (MX), a TMX Group Inc. company (TSX-X), announced today that it has completed an acquisition giving it a majority ownership interest of 53.2% in the Boston Options Exchange Group, LLC (BOX), recognized as one of the most innovative US equity options exchanges.

The MX acquired a 21.9% ownership position from another senior BOX partner, the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. (BSE), as agreed in December 2007. The transaction was approved on August 7, 2008 by the BOX regulator, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Regulatory services to BOX will continue to be provided through BOXR, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the BSE.

"Increasing our investment in BOX grows from confidence in our strategy of expanding our presence in the US equity options market, one of the most dynamic derivatives markets in the world," said Luc Bertrand, Deputy CEO of the TMX Group, and President and CEO of the Montréal Exchange. "We continue in our key role as technical operator and technology developer for this innovative automated market."

## About the Boston Options Exchange

The Boston Options Exchange Group, LLC (BOX) was established in February 2002. BOX is an allelectronic equity derivatives market and was created as an alternative to the existing market models. BOX launched trading in February 2004. For more information, see the BOX website: www.bostonoptions.com.

## About Montréal Exchange Inc.

Since May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008, the Montréal Exchange is part of TMX Group Inc. TMX Group is the leading integrated exchange group in Canada, operating markets for multiple asset classes.

The Montréal Exchange (MX) is the Canadian derivatives exchange. MX offers trading in Canadian interest rate, index and equity derivatives. Clearing, settlement and risk management services are provided by an AA rated clearing house. MX has interests in the Boston Options Exchange (BOX), a U.S. automated equity options market, and the Montréal Climate Exchange (MCeX), a joint venture with the Chicago Climate Exchange<sup>®</sup>, which aims to establish the leading market for publicly traded environmental products in Canada. For more information about the Montréal Exchange, please visit <u>www.m-x.ca</u>.