

## **Lime Brokerage to Acquire Stake in BATS Trading ECN**

NEW YORK, September 25, 2006 -- Lime Brokerage LLC announced today that it has acquired a minority stake in BATS Trading Inc., a high-speed ECN (Electronic Communications Network) designed to handle high-volume electronic trading. Details of the transaction were not released.

"Lime Brokerage is pleased to announce our investment in BATS trading," said Alistair Brown, Chief Executive Officer of Lime Brokerage. "We were impressed by the innovation and dedication of the BATS team. Their emergence in such a highly competitive market should greatly benefit our growing customer base."

In 2005, Dave Cummings, founder of high-speed, automated liquidity provider Tradebot Systems, established BATS Trading, a next generation platform designed to handle highspeed, high-volume and anonymous algorithmic trading for broker-dealers. Lime Brokerage is presently a subscriber to BATS.

"We established BATS to address the increasingly sophisticated needs of the trading community," said Dave Cummings, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of BATS Trading. "We are honored Lime Brokerage has chosen to invest in our technology."

### **About BATS Trading, Inc.**

BATS Trading, Inc was incorporated in June 2005 in response to rapid consolidation in the ECN space. We believe competition drives innovation, and subscribers should have a choice between multiple competing electronic markets. Our second generation trading platform was designed from the ground up to handle high speed, high volume, anonymous, reliable, algorithmic trading that has become increasingly common in the equity markets today. We are dedicated to continually enhancing our product functionality and being a market innovator for years to come. For more information, visit [www.batstrading.com](http://www.batstrading.com).

### **About Lime Brokerage LLC**

Lime Brokerage LLC is a technologically advanced brokerage firm based in New York City that caters to a diverse and sophisticated customer base. Lime's clients include professional traders, hedge funds, asset managers, and other broker-dealers. For more information, please visit [www.limebrokerage.com](http://www.limebrokerage.com) or call Andrea Cohen at 212.219.6079.