

CONNOR, CLARK & LUNN FINANCIAL GROUP ADOPTS OMGEO CENTRAL TRADE MANAGER

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Connor, Clark & Lunn Financial Group (CC&L Financial Group) announced today they have signed on to Omgeo Central Trade Manager[®] (Omgeo CTM), the global standard for post-trade efficiency. CC&L Financial Group will use Omgeo CTM to process domestic and cross-border trades via a single interface across multiple time zones. Omgeo has been serving the Canadian marketplace since its inception in 2001.

CC&L Financial Group has adopted Omgeo CTM largely because the solution greatly reduces costs and inefficiencies, allowing the firm to focus on exception processing and minimizing risk. Additionally, Omgeo CTM facilitates compliance with Canada's National Instrument 24-101 Institutional Trade Matching Mandate (ITM). Current Omgeo CTM users can achieve ITM rates upwards of 90 percent.

Utilising Omgeo CTM, the firm's Canadian domestic trades are matched and can be sent directly to the Canadian Depository for Securities (CDS) for settlement. The interface between Omgeo CTM and CDS provides fully automated messaging, enabling the electronic pass-through of matched trades in real-time.

"Our relationship with Omgeo has been ideal at a time of important change in the Canadian marketplace," said Andrew Lefevre, chief administration officer at CC&L Financial Group. "Connor, Clark & Lunn has always been committed to the highest standards in operations and trade processing and we believe that Omgeo CTM will play an integral role in continuing our reputation of regulatory compliance and sound business practices."

"The addition of Connor, Clark & Lunn Financial Group to the global Omgeo community is a true win for us, as our client community is our biggest asset. The value of a real-time CDS link is apparent in the Canadian marketplace, and we expect that Omgeo CTM will continue to grow its momentum as the premier solution while also firmly establishing Omgeo as a strong local player in Canada," commented Timothy Keady, managing director of global sales and relationship management at Omgeo.

About CC&L Financial Group

CC&L Financial Group provides investment management services to individuals, advisors, pension plans, institutional investors and foundations. The investment platform offers a broad range of traditional and alternative investment management services, including domestic and international equities and fixed income, hedge funds, private equity and infrastructure.

As Canada's only multi-boutique asset management firm, CC&L Financial Group is uniquely focused on creating the conditions for success for its clients, partners and employees. The firm has offices in Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary, Regina, Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal and through its affiliated investment managers is responsible for the investment of \$36 billion in financial assets.

About OmgeoSM

Omgeo creates certainty in post-trade operations through the automation and timely confirmation of the economic details of trades executed between investment managers and broker/dealers. Every day Omgeo enables an efficient community of more than 6000 financial services clients in 45 countries to manage matching and exception handling of trade allocations, confirmations, and settlement instructions. Leading organizations rely on Omgeo to help manage an increasingly complex investment industry by providing operational stability and solutions that complement the focus on profitability in an era of escalating trade volumes. Across borders, asset classes, and trade lifecycles, Omgeo is the global standard for operational efficiency across the investment industry. Formed in 2001, Omgeo is jointly owned by the DTCC and Thomson Reuters.

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