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Jeff Chen is a partner in the Business Practice Group of Jones, Day, based in Hong Kong, specializing in corporate finance and Lending, and in structured finance.

Jeff Chen has many years of experience in cross-border transactions in the areas of M&A, securities offerings, structured finance and derivatives. Jeff's background in these types of transactions spans many jurisdictions in Asia, including Hong Kong, China, Taiwan, Singapore, Korea, Malaysia and the Philippines.

In the area of corporate finance, Jeff has advised both issuers and underwriters on cross-border securities offerings into the Euromarket and the United States. In this regard, he has worked on private placements and public offerings involving debt, equity, convertibles, exchangeables, ADRs and exchange offers. He is familiar with the issues that typically arise under U.S. securities laws and regulations, including Regulation S, Rule 144A and the 1940 Act. In this context, he has also become familiar with local law peculiarities across various Asian jurisdictions in which issuers have been located.

Jeff also has considerable experience in structured finance and derivatives. For two years he engaged in and closed a major petrochemical project in the Persian Gulf financed on a limited recourse basis. In recent years Jeff has concluded a number of major asset-backed transactions in Korea (including Samsung Life RMBS, which received the IFLR Securitization Deal of the Year Award for 2002), and he continues to advise monolines, rating agencies and banks on major securitization projects in Asia. Jeff also has substantial experience with various types of derivatives transactions, particularly credit derivatives, including their use in credit-linked notes and synthetic CDOs. He advises bank clients and corporates on structuring various types of hybrid instruments. He is familiar with U.S. securities and commodities laws issues relating to the sale and distribution of these types of instruments into the United States.

Jeff has worked in Jones Day's offices in Hong Kong, Taipei, New York and London. He is an active member of the Asia-Pacific Legal & Regulatory Committee of the International Swap Dealers Association (ISDA). Jeff is fluent in English and Mandarin.

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