

The PMI Group, Inc.



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PMI Announces Launch of PMI Asia; Promotes Jonathan C.M. Chan to Vice President, Head of Asian Business Development and Operations

Walnut Creek, CA, July 13, 2006 - The PMI Group, Inc. (NYSE:PMI) today announced the launch of PMI Mortgage Insurance Asia Limited (PMI Asia) and the promotion of Jonathan C.M. Chan to Vice President and Head of Asian Business Development and Operations.

"Under the umbrella of PMI Mortgage Insurance Co., PMI was the first mortgage insurer to enter Hong Kong in 1999," said Steve Smith, PMI's Chief Executive Officer. "Our products and services have enabled a considerable expansion of loan-to-values in that market, from 70% to 95% today. We are now further investing in Hong Kong and Asia with the formation of PMI Asia as a wholly owned subsidiary of The PMI Group, Inc. This new entity gives us a better platform to serve Hong Kong and other Asian markets. We are excited about the opportunities we see." The Hong Kong Insurance Authority authorized PMI Asia to commence insurance business in late June.

Jonathan Chan was formerly Director of Asia Operations for PMI. Tony Porter, Managing Director, International Markets, commented, "In his tenure with PMI Jonathan has deftly supported our customers in Hong Kong and has been instrumental in the establishment of PMI Asia. His experience and expertise in business development in greater Asia is already evident and will help PMI better serve these vibrant and growing markets."

Chan joined PMI in April 2004 as Director of Asia Operations from GE Global Financial Restructuring Group where he was Vice President - Asia Risk. Prior to that, he was Vice President of the Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation (HKMC), establishing and managing their mortgage insurance business.

Chan holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of California, Los Angeles. He is a member of the American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong.

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The PMI Group, Inc. (NYSE:PMI), headquartered in Walnut Creek, CA, is an international provider of credit enhancement products that promote homeownership and facilitate mortgage transactions in the capital markets. Through its wholly owned subsidiaries and unconsolidated strategic investments, the company offers residential mortgage insurance and credit

enhancement products domestically and internationally, financial guaranty insurance, and financial guaranty reinsurance. Through its subsidiaries, The PMI Group, Inc. is one of the world's largest providers of private mortgage insurance with operations in the United States, Australia, New Zealand, and the European Union, as well as one of the largest providers of mortgage guaranty reinsurance in Hong Kong. For more information: www.pmigroup.com.

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