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**First Derivatives Plc
("First Derivatives" or "the Company")**

Trading Statement

First Derivatives plc, a provider of software and consulting services to the world's financial markets, is pleased to announce that trading during the current financial year has exceeded management's expectations to date.

The strong financial performance of the Company has been underpinned by the renewal of many existing contracts and the securing of some new high profile customers. The Company has also experienced an increasing demand for both long term consulting contracts and product sales related income. As an illustration of the active business environment, the Company has increased headcount from 93 in February 2007 to 109 in July 2007.

As the exclusive sales partner of Kx Systems in the financial sector, First Derivatives has been directly involved in adding the Financial Services Authority, NYSE/Euronext, UniCredit HypoVereinsbank (HVB) and Rand Merchant Bank to the Kx user base.

First Derivatives' other partner companies have had some notable wins - Principia software is now being used by one of the world's first credit derivatives product companies, Channel Capital Advisors and Royal Bank Of Canada have purchased IT&E's flagship Razor. As a result, the Board believes that the Company is well placed to benefit from the resultant increased consulting requirements for these products.

The Company expects to report interim results for the 6 months to 31 August on 4 October 2007.

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