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Company Announcements Office

ASX Limited

DISTRIBUTION ANNOUNCEMENT

On 23 December 2008 in the United States (US) (New York time), Barclays Global Investors (BGI) declared in US dollars (US\$) a distribution payable in respect of the iShares® fund quoted on ASX listed below.

Issuer	Fund	ASX Code	Distribution per share (CDI)
iShares Trust	iShares S&P 500	IVV	US\$ 0.661755
iShares Trust	iShares S&P MidCap 400	IJH	US\$ 0.382760
iShares Trust	iShares S&P SmallCap 600	IJR	US\$ 0.250238

Australian distribution timetable for the above funds	
Event	Date
Announcement Date	24 December 2008
Ex date	29 December 2008
Record Date	31 December 2008
FX Date	14 January 2009
Payment Date	19 January 2009

You must be a registered CDI holder in an iShares fund to which a distribution is payable as of the Record Date to receive a distribution. The distribution rate is announced in US dollars (US\$). Investors holding CDIs in respect of shares in the above iShares fund will receive their entitled distribution payment in Australian dollars (A\$).

To ensure prompt receipt of the dividend payment, investors holding CDIs as of the Record Date need to have provided their bank account details to the share registrar before the Record Date. If this has not been done, please register online in the 'Investor Centre' via the link <https://www-au.computershare.com/investor> or call the number below and your dividend payment will be credited into your nominated account shortly after the Payment Date.

For current information about an iShares fund (and other information about the iShares products) go to iShares.com.au or call 1300-iShares (1300 474 2737).

Before investing in an iShares fund, you should carefully consider whether such products are appropriate for you, read the applicable Australian prospectus and consult an investment adviser.

Performance is not guaranteed. There is no guarantee that any distributions will be declared in the future, or that if declared, the amount of any distributions will remain constant or increase at any time.

Barclays Global Investors Australia Limited (BGIA) is the local agent and intermediary for iShares (iShares, Inc. ARBN 125 632 279, iShares Trust ARBN 125 632 411). BGIA and BGI are majority-owned subsidiaries of Barclays Bank PLC. BGIA facilitates the processing of distributions for the iShares funds quoted on ASX.

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