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HORSHAM, Pa – September 18, 2009 – Statement of Realpoint, LLC regarding SEC’s Rating Agency Actions

Yesterday’s SEC action, granting Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations (NRSROs) with access to the necessary underlying data that will allow competing credit rating agencies to offer unsolicited ratings for structured finance products, is one of the most important reforms undertaken by the government in response to the role of the major credit rating agencies in the credit crisis.

This development will increase competition in the highly-concentrated credit ratings industry because the offering information on all structured finance products will be required to be distributed on a presale basis to all NRSROs. Thus far, only the rating agencies selected by the issuers of the securities received the data on a presale basis, thus shutting out other NRSROs from providing any type of presale analysis. The proposed changes regarding improved access to information will also allow NRSROs to conduct better surveillance of structured finance products on an on-going basis.

“This change will provide more choices for investors, who will now be able to choose an agency based on the quality and transparency of its ratings and analysis,” said Robert G. Dobilas, CEO and President of Realpoint. Realpoint’s revenues are derived primarily from investors who subscribe to Realpoint’s credit analytics service, which provides investors with monthly ratings updates and comprehensive credit reports on all current CMBS transactions.

“With more ratings agencies analyzing the creditworthiness of these securities, there will be less ambiguity and less chance for some to take advantage of the system. Ultimately, investors will be provided with a better understanding of the risk profile of structured finance investments,” added Mr. Dobilas.

About Realpoint

Realpoint is a nationally recognized credit-rating agency that has earned a reputation for innovation and excellence in the structured finance market. Our goal is to increase market transparency and provide investors with the highest quality ratings and analysis by offering a wide array of securities research, surveillance services, data, and technology solutions. More than 200 institutional investment firms trust Realpoint to help them identify credit risk in structured finance investments.

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