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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Thomson Files Information Circular for Approval of Reuters Acquisition**

*Transaction Expected to Close on April 17; Interim Dividend to be Paid*

*(All amounts are in U.S. dollars)*

**STAMFORD, Conn., February 29, 2008** The Thomson Corporation (NYSE: TOC; TSX: TOC), a leading provider of information solutions to business and professional customers worldwide, has filed an information circular for its upcoming shareholders meeting to approve the Reuters acquisition. The shareholders meeting will be held on March 26, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. (ET) at Roy Thomson Hall in Toronto, Canada. Separately today, Reuters filed a circular for its own shareholder meetings to be held on March 26, 2008 in London to approve the transaction. Thomson's acquisition of Reuters is expected to close on April 17, 2008, and the transaction has received all required antitrust/regulatory clearances.

Thomson and Reuters have historically paid dividends to their shareholders at different times of the year, and in different amounts. To align the timing and amount of future dividend payments to Thomson Reuters shareholders, an interim dividend of \$0.31747 per share will be paid on May 1, 2008 to Thomson common shareholders of record on April 16, 2008. The interim dividend is based on Thomson's previously announced 2008 quarterly dividend rate of \$0.27 per share (or \$1.08 per share for the year) and covers the period from January 1, 2008 through April 16, 2008. The payment of the interim dividend in May will result in Thomson Reuters not paying a dividend in June 2008, as has been Thomson's past practice, and regularly scheduled dividend payments will resume in September 2008 (\$0.22253 per share) and in December 2008 (\$0.27 per share).

More information about the Thomson Reuters business, the Thomson Reuters Board and executive management team and dividends expected to be paid during the remainder of 2008 is available in the information circular.

Holders of Thomson common shares as of 5:00 p.m. (ET) on February 22, 2008 will be entitled to vote at the upcoming meeting. The circular is being mailed to shareholders. A copy of the

circular is available at the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), at the Canadian securities regulatory authorities' website at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and at [www.thomson.com](http://www.thomson.com).

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This news release, in particular the discussion of the proposed acquisition of Reuters, includes forward-looking statements. These statements are based on certain assumptions and reflect the Corporation's current expectations. Forward-looking statements include statements about its beliefs that the Reuters acquisition will be approved and close on April 17, 2008. The closing of the transaction is subject to approval by Thomson and Reuters shareholders as well as courts in Ontario, Canada and the United Kingdom. The declaration of dividends and the amount of those dividends may be adjusted or eliminated at any time at the discretion of the Thomson Board (or, following the closing of the transaction, the Thomson Reuters Board). All forward-looking statements in this news release are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from current expectations. These risks and uncertainties include the failure of Reuters shareholders or the courts to approve the proposed transaction; the reaction of Thomson's and Reuters' customers, employees and suppliers to the proposed transaction; the ability to promptly and effectively integrate the businesses of Thomson and Reuters after the transaction closes; and the diversion of management time on transaction-related issues. Some of the other factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from current expectations are actions of competitors; failure to fully derive anticipated benefits from acquisitions and divestitures; failure to develop additional products and services to meet customers' needs, attract new customers or expand into new geographic markets; and changes in the general economy. Additional factors are discussed in the Corporation's materials filed with the securities regulatory authorities in Canada and the United States from time to time, including the Corporation's management information circular dated February 29, 2008 for the special meeting of shareholders to be held on March 26, 2008, and its latest annual information form, which is also contained in its most recently filed annual report on Form 40-F. The Corporation disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, other than as required by applicable law, rule or regulation.

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