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AMEGY BANK OF TEXAS TO OFFER CORPORATE TRUST SERVICES

HOUSTON (October 12, 2006) – Amegy Bank of Texas announced today that it will offer a full range of corporate trust financial services.

“We have a significant number of companies, municipalities, school districts, health care organizations and not-for-profit entities that have capital needs for their growth,” said Paul B. Murphy, CEO of Amegy Bank of Texas. “This is a specialized business that brings additional resources and efficiency to their operations and many of our customers have requested this additional financial resource to help with their future plans.”

Amegy is partnering with Zions First National Bank, an affiliate bank of Amegy and also a subsidiary of Zions Bancorporation (NASDAQ: ZION), to provide these services. Zions Bank’s Corporate Trust division has received nationwide recognition from Thomson Financial, which ranked it as one of its “Top 10 Trustees.” Experienced corporate trust officers will provide the extensive array of custom financial services in Texas to quasi-governmental bond issuing authorities, municipalities, school districts, special districts and corporate clients. The services will include indenture trustee, fiscal agent, successor trustee, registrar, paying agent, escrow agent, custodian agent and tender agent.

“We engage in both large and small transactions, all of which affect the communities where we do business,” said Mary Jane Henson, who will head the Texas-based business. “We currently manage more than \$36 billion in outstanding bonds, have over \$1 billion in net capital and are clearly a leader in the industry.”

She noted: “We are familiar with a wide variety of financings and have the demonstrated experience to expertly administer the most complex transactions efficiently and accurately. We also have been a leading provider of technologies to support the companies and entities that we serve in corporate trust.”

These technologies include the web-based Trust Viewer, which provides clients increased flexibility with account searches, particularly historical information, and the ability to create customized reports; and Trust Reporter, which allows users secured access to accounts from anywhere in the world, as well as historical data and the ability to download of a variety of reports and statements.

Amegy Bank of Texas is one of the fastest growing banks in Texas. With assets of more than \$9 billion, local decision making and a history of relationship banking, Amegy has the resources to serve leading Texas companies as a source of capital as well as provide efficient and effective treasury management, international and investment services. The Bank, with more than 75 locations in the state, specializes in small business banking as well as private financial management and trust services for families and individuals, and retail and mortgage banking services. Amegy, along with Zions First National Bank, is a part of the Zions Bancorporation (NASDAQ: ZION) collection of great banks.

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