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## **Media Release**

### **November 2007 Macquarie Fusion Funds release open for investment**



**7 November 2007** – Macquarie Financial Products Management Limited (Macquarie) has announced that the November 2007 release of its popular Macquarie Fusion® Funds is now open to retail investors.

This latest offer of Macquarie Fusion® Funds provides exposure to a choice of 22 underlying managed funds. This is combined with the ability to borrow 100 per cent of the investment amount and the opportunity to protect 100 per cent of the initial investment at maturity.

Macquarie Investment Lending Division Director, Peter van der Westhuyzen said that since its inception, in June 2002, Macquarie Fusion® Funds has built a solid reputation for providing Australia's retail investors with broad exposure to underlying managed funds.

“Macquarie Fusion® Funds has proved to be in high demand among retail investors,” Mr van der Westhuyzen said.

“For the November release there is an investment menu of 22 underlying managed funds. This gives investors greater opportunity to build a diversified portfolio in managed funds that would not generally be available to them.”

“The instability we've witnessed throughout global markets during the past few months has served as a reminder to all investors that diversification is extremely important,” Mr van der Westhuyzen continued.

“With the option to select from eight Australian equities funds, six International equities funds, three Asia specific funds, two property securities funds, two index funds as well as an alternative fund specialising in infrastructure securities, investing in Macquarie Fusion® Funds presents a range of opportunities to diversify an investor’s portfolio.

“During periods of market volatility, products offering capital protection also become very popular. This is because investors can choose to protect their initial investment amount at maturity and minimise their level of risk.”

The offer of 100 per cent finance from Macquarie Bank Limited provides investors an opportunity to establish a diversified managed portfolio immediately.

As with previous Macquarie Fusion® Fund offers, Macquarie has received an Australian Taxation Office Product Ruling (PR2007/91)\* to confirm the tax treatment for eligible investors. Where the ruling applies, the investor has the potential to claim a deduction for up to 100 per cent of the Total Amount of Interest on their applicable Macquarie loans.

In addition, Australian retail investors who choose Macquarie Fusion® Funds will have access to a national support network of account managers who are fully trained on the product and are able to assist with any enquiries.

The new offer of Macquarie Fusion® Funds is open for a limited time, closing 5pm (AEST) 30 November 2007.

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